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Annual Report

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of

ATKINSON

1975

New Hampshire



Main Street, Atkinson- 1890's

ANNUAL
REPORTS
OF THE TOWN OF
Atkinson
New Hampshire



This book is dedicated to Mrs. Gladys R. Dyke in grateful appreciation of her years of service to the community.

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The Town of Atkinson is proud to dedicate this book to Gladys R. Dyke in honor of her years of service to the town. Mrs. Dyke was born July 15, 1891 in Johnson, Vermont. She attended Middlebury College and received her teacher's certification from Keene State College. Her first teaching position was in Eden Mills, Vermont.

Married to Harlon C. Dyke, also a teacher, they resided in Derry N.H. before moving to Atkinson in 1921. Mr. Dyke was headmaster at Atkinson Academy for many years. The Dykes raised two children, Dr. John R. Dyke of Norwich, Vt. and Mrs. Virginia Shore of Grafton, Mass.

English; French and Latin were taught at the Academy by Mrs. Dyke. The present Dyke Auditorium was named in their honor. Following the closing of Atkinson Academy, Mrs. Dyke taught school in Hampstead, a neighboring town, for five to six years.

In 1943, Mrs. Dyke was appointed Trustee of Kimball Public Library to fill an unexpired term. She also served several years as Town Auditor. This year, Mrs. Dyke is retiring as Library Trustee, a position she has held since 1960. During these years she has been a devoted and untiring worker for the library cause.

In addition to serving the people through the library, she found time to give of herself to her church. For many years she held various offices of the Ladies Society and as a Trustee of the church. Presently, she is secretary of the XYZ Club, a member of the Atkinson Historical Society, Retired Teachers Association and Friends of the Library.

Atkinson is proud to honor Gladys R. Dyke, a dedicated citizen and a lady in the true sense of the word.

We all wish her well in the years ahead.

TOWN OFFICERS

Representative to the General Court

NATALIE FLANAGAN 1975-76

Moderator

JOHN HERLIHY

Board of Selectmen

| | |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| HELEN V. WOODLOCK | TERM EXPIRES 1976 |
| JOHN W. HOLBROOK, Chairman | TERM EXPIRES 1977 |
| PHILIP V. CONSENTINO | TERM EXPIRES 1978 |

Town Treasurer

| | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| GORDON E. BRENNAN | TERM EXPIRES 1977 |
|-------------------|-------------------|

Tax Collector

| | |
|----------------|-------------------|
| JESSI ANASTASI | TERM EXPIRES 1978 |
|----------------|-------------------|

Town Clerk

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| ELEANOR ZAREMBA | TERM EXPIRES 1976 |
|-----------------|-------------------|

Supervisors of Check List

| | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| CHRISTINE PARSONS | MARTHA MACDONALD |
| ALICE SABATINO | |

Constable

ROBERT M. CONLEY

Police Officers

ROBERT M. CONLEY, Chief of Police

| | |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| EARL F. PRATT | KENNETH F. AUSTIN |
| PAUL P. CARADONNA | FREDERICK F. BISHOP |
| DONALD H. NYE | PHILIP V. CONSENTINO |

Special Police

| | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| EDNA M. WILSON | HELEN E. CONLEY |
| GORDON E. BRENNAN | PATRICIA BERNETT |
| DIANE M. KINNEY | |

ROBERT V. YOUNG

Highway Agent

| | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| DANIEL W. STEWART | TERM EXPIRES 1977 |
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Sexton

DANIEL W. STEWART

Trustees of the Trust Fund

| | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| BETTE ANN STEWART | TERM EXPIRES 1976 |
| ELEANOR ZAREMBA | TERM EXPIRES 1978 |

Library Trustees

| | |
|----------------|-------------------|
| GLADYS DYKE | TERM EXPIRES 1976 |
| DOROTHY GORDON | TERM EXPIRES 1977 |
| ELEANOR FEUER | TERM EXPIRES 1978 |

Health Officer

| | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| DANIEL W. STEWART | TERM EXPIRES 1976 |
|-------------------|-------------------|

Fire Department

Board of Engineers

| | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| CHIEF | DONALD L. MURPHY |
| DEPUTY CHIEF | WILLIAM KINNEY |
| CAPTAIN | ARTHUR BIBBINS |
| FIRST LIEUTENANT | JOHN ROCKWELL |
| SECOND LIEUTENANT | GEORGE POWERS |

Members

| | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| ALBERT APITZ | JULIAN HANKUS |
| ARTHUR BIBBINS | DARYL HOLLENBECK |
| RICHARD BUCHANAN | GEORGE HONOR, JR. |
| JOSEPH CHOUINARD | ROBERT HOTCHKISS |
| ERNEST CONSENTINO | WILLIAM KINNEY |
| CHARLES EARLEY | HUGO LAMIE |

VINCENT MARCHAND
PAUL MEADE
HERBERT MEDLEY
WILLIAM MOODY
DONALD MURPHY
DONALD MURPHY, JR.
ROBERT NEILL
CHARLES PATUTO
GEORGE POWERS

JOHN ROCKWELL
ROGER STORK
DONALD WALSH
ROBERT WATERS
ROLAND WEEMAN
JAMES WELLS
DAVID WEYMOUTH
ROBERT YANACEK
ROBERT YOUNG

Training Officer

JOHN ROCKWELL

Burner Inspector

CHARLES EARLEY

Maintenance Office

WILLIAM KINNEY

Communication Center

HELEN CONLEY

Day Call Members

JESSE BOYDEN
ROGER CLAPP

PHILIP CONSENTINO
CHARLES KINNEY

DANIEL STEWART

Department Physicians

RAYMOND MOORE, M.D.
WILLIAM R. HART, M.D.

Building Inspector

JESSE BOYDEN

Planning Board

| | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| MARTIN M. FEUER, Secretary | TERM EXPIRES 1976 |
| LLOYD BLACKADAR | TERM EXPIRES 1977 |
| EDMUND A. STRYESKI, Vice Chrm. | TERM EXPIRES 1977 |
| MEREDITH REYNOLDS | TERM EXPIRES 1978 |
| MAURICE COLLINS, Chairman | TERM EXPIRES 1979 |
| LINDA ROBERTS | TERM EXPIRES 1980 |

JOHN HOLBROOK, Ex-officio

Board of Adjustment

| | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|
| MERLE R. ASHFORD | TERM EXPIRES 1977 |
| C. CARROLL ROCK, Chairman | TERM EXPIRES 1978 |
| RICHARD PYNE | TERM EXPIRES 1978 |
| RUSSELL P. BURBANK | TERM EXPIRES 1979 |
| DUDLEY B. KILLAM | TERM EXPIRES 1980 |

Civil Defense

| | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| ALBERT CONSENTINO, Director | TERM EXPIRES 1976 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|

Municipal Budget Committee

| | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| RUSSELL COUTURE | TERM EXPIRES 1976 |
| JAMES WELLS | TERM EXPIRES 1976 |
| THOMAS MERRICK, Chairman | TERM EXPIRES 1977 |
| RICHARD PAOLINO | TERM EXPIRES 1977 |
| CLIFTON A. PIPER | TERM EXPIRES 1978 |
| CHARLES PATUTO | TERM EXPIRES 1978 |
| PHILIP V. CONSENTINO, Ex-officio | |

Atkinson Recreation Commission

| | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| BARBARA SNICER | TERM EXPIRES 1976 |
| DAVID HEFFERNAN | TERM EXPIRES 1976 |
| LEONARD PERREAULT | TERM EXPIRES 1977 |
| ELIZABETH TENTARELLI, Chairman | TERM EXPIRES 1977 |
| NORMAN KIMBALL | TERM EXPIRES 1978 |

Atkinson Conservation Commission

| | |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| CHESTER LADD | TERM EXPIRES 1976 |
| JOHN WIDMAN | TERM EXPIRES 1976 |
| WINTHROP COMLEY | TERM EXPIRES 1977 |
| STEVEN LEWIS | TERM EXPIRES 1977 |
| MEREDITH REYNOLDS | TERM EXPIRES 1977 |
| ALAN XENAKIS | TERM EXPIRES 1978 |
| CAROL GRANT, Chairman | TERM EXPIRES 1978 |

Southern Rockingham Regional Planning District Representatives

| | |
|-----------------|---------------|
| IVAN GROTENHUIS | KENNETH GRANT |
|-----------------|---------------|

Dog Officer

HOWARD ROGERS

Assistant Dog Officer

DIANE KINNEY

Fence Viewers

DIANE KINNEY

DANIEL STEWART

BERGERON NORRIS

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

MARTIN FEUER

RALPH LEWIS

ROGER SAWYER

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Town Hall, Lands and Buildings | \$43,000.00 |
| Furniture and Equipment | 4,550.00 |
| Libraries, Lands and Buildings | 84,000.00 |
| Furniture and Equipment | 8,300.00 |
| Police Department, Lands and Buildings | 14,000.00 |
| Equipment | 20,000.00 |
| Fire Department, Lands and Buildings(new add'n.) | 40,000.00 |
| Equipment | 128,500.00 |
| Highway Department, Lands and Buildings | 20,000.00 |
| Equipment | 7,500.00 |
| Materials and Supplies | 600.00 |
| Parks, Commons and Playgrounds | 15,000.00 |
| Town Property | |
| Pentucket Builders | 1,500.00 |
| Terrell Property | 1,300.00 |
| Murdock Land | 500.00 |
| Kirby Property | 948.00 |
| Designated Land | 9,500.00 |
| Cemeteries | 5,500.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total | \$404,698.00 |

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

APPROPRIATIONS

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Town Officers' Salaries | \$ 14,530.00 |
| Town Officers' Expenses | 5,945.00 |
| Election & Registration Expenses | 735.00 |
| Town Hall & Other Town Buildings | 10,975.00 |
| Employees' Retirement & Social Security | 2,800.00 |
| Police Department | 20,482.00 |
| Appraisal of Property | 1,000.00 |
| Fire Department | 10,650.00 |
| Insurance | 6,350.00 |
| Planning & Zoning | 755.00 |
| Damages & Legal Expenses | 2,500.00 |
| Civilian Defense | 150.00 |
| Health Department | 1,300.00 |
| Vital Statistics | 50.00 |
| Town Dump & Garbage Collection | 8,260.00 |
| Town Maintenance - Summer & Winter | 56,265.76 |
| Street Lighting | 6,640.00 |
| General Expenses of Highway Department | 2,910.00 |
| Town Road Aid | 487.00 |
| Libraries | 8,350.00 |
| Town Poor | 12,000.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 624.00 |
| Garden Club | 300.00 |
| Patriotic Purposes (Memorial Day) | 587.00 |
| Recreation (Parks, Playground, etc.) | 2,815.00 |
| Conservation | 375.00 |
| Cemeteries | 2,000.00 |
| Advertising & Regional Associations | 100.00 |
| Payment on Debt - Principal | \$10,500.00 |
| Interest | <u>1,516.50</u> |
| | 12,016.50 |
| Interest on Temporary Loans | 25,000.00 |
| Capital Outlay - Articles | |
| No. 6 - Town Hall Office | 3,850.00 |
| No. 7 - Stickney Shore Road | 2,000.00 |
| No. 8 - Fire Department Capital Reserve | 15,000.00 |
| No. 9 - Fire Department Refit Eng. No.1 | 4,000.00 |
| No.10 - Waterhole - East Road | 1,000.00 |
| No.11 - Trim and Replant Trees | 2,000.00 |
| No.12 - Town History Book | 5,995.00 |
| No.13 - S. Rockingham Reg. Plan. Dist. | 1,718.25 |
| No.14 - Bicentennial | 2,000.00 |
| No.16 - Solid Waste Program | 7,600.00 |
| No.18 - Library | <u>12,000.00</u> |

TOTAL TOWN APPROPRIATIONS \$274,115.51

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS \$274,115.51

LESS: Estimated Revenues and Credits

| | |
|--|------------------|
| Interest and Dividends Tax | 14,170.00 |
| Savings Bank Tax | 1,293.00 |
| Meals and Rooms Tax | 19,117.00 |
| Revenue from Yield Tax Sources | 54.00 |
| Interest Received on Taxes | 900.00 |
| Interest Received on Deposits | 12,000.00 |
| Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees | 1,500.00 |
| Motor Vehicle Permit Fees | 49,000.00 |
| Dog Licenses | 1,500.00 |
| Rent of Town Property and Equipment | 150.00 |
| National Bank Stock Taxes | 17.00 |
| Resident Taxes | 16,900.00 |
| Revenue Sharing (contra) | 19,600.00 |
| Highway Subsidy (Gas Tax) | <u>12,165.76</u> |

TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS \$169,956.00

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|---------------------------|------------------|
| Net Town Appropriations | \$125,749.51 |
| Net School Appropriations | 843,983.05 |
| County Tax Assessment | <u>46,738.88</u> |

TOTAL OF TOWN, SCHOOL AND COUNTY \$1,016,471.44

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|--|------------------|
| Deduct: Total Bus. Profits Tax Reimbursement | 3,725.00 |
| Add: War Service Credits | 13,550.00 |
| Add: Overlay | <u>11,346.09</u> |

PROPERTY TAXES TO BE RAISED \$1,037,642.53

Property Taxes to be Committed to Collector:

| | |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| Gross Property Taxes | \$1,037,642.53 |
| Less: W/Serv. Tax Cr. | <u>13,550.00</u> |

TOTAL TAX COMMITMENT \$1,024,092.53

TAX RATE - Approved by Department of Revenue Administration \$3.45

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

| <u>Description of Property</u> | <u>1975 Valuation</u> |
|---|-----------------------|
| Land | \$ 8,962,045.00 |
| Buildings | 20,804,650.00 |
| Public Utilities - Public Service | 25,650.00 |
| Exeter & Hampton | 356,650.00 |
| New England Telephone | 23,700.00 |
| Boats and Launches | <u>10,900.00</u> |
| TOTAL VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED | \$30,183,595.00 |
| Blind Exemptions (4) | \$20,000.00 |
| Elderly Exemptions (20) | 87,000.00 |
| TOTAL EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED | <u>107,000.00</u> |
| NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE IS COMPUTED | \$30,076,595.00 |

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1975

| Appropriation Account | Carried Over 1974 | Amount | Receipts | Expendi- tures | Balance | Overdraft | Carried Over 1976 |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|
| Town Off.Sal. | | \$14,530.00 | | \$15,000.68 | | \$ 470.68 | |
| Town Off.Exp. | | 5,945.00 | | 6,352.10 | | 407.10 | |
| Elect.&Reg. | | 735.00 | | 808.16 | | 73.16 | |
| Town Hall & Other Bldgs. | | 10,975.00 | | 11,912.38 | | 937.38 | |
| Soc. Security | | 2,800.00 | \$ 271.29 | 2,690.21 | \$ 381.08 | | |
| Police Dept. | | 20,482.00 | 1,058.00 | 21,487.31 | 52.69 | | |
| Fire Dept. | | 10,650.00 | | 10,004.14 | 645.86 | | \$500.66 |
| Insurance | | 6,350.00 | | 6,543.00 | | 193.00 | |
| Plan. & Zoning | | 755.00 | | 301.85 | 453.15 | | |
| Damage & Legal | | 2,500.00 | | 5,806.91 | | 3,306.91 | |
| Civil Defense | | 150.00 | | 130.30 | 19.70 | | |
| Health Dept. | | 1,300.00 | | 1,278.10 | 21.90 | | |
| Vital Stat. | | 50.00 | | 34.00 | 16.00 | | |
| Town Dump & Garbage Disp. | | 8,260.00 | | 7,513.48 | 746.52 | | |
| Summer Maint. | | 18,300.00 | 900.00 | 17,451.82 | 1,748.18 | | |
| Winter Maint. | | 25,800.00 | 350.00 | 28,366.57 | | 2,216.57 | |
| Gas Tax | | 12,165.76 | | 12,165.76 | | | |
| TRA | | 487.00 | | 487.00 | | | |
| Gen.Exp.Hwy. | | 2,910.00 | | 3,025.61 | | 115.61 | |
| Street Lights | | 6,640.00 | | 6,373.51 | 266.49 | | |
| Library | | 8,350.00 | | 8,350.00 | | | |
| Town Poor | | 12,000.00 | | 1,714.49 | 10,285.51 | | |
| Memorial Day | | 587.00 | | 386.00 | 201.00 | | |
| Recreation | | 2,815.00 | | 3,207.11 | | 392.11 | |
| Garden Club | | 300.00 | | 300.00 | | | |
| Advert.&Reg. | | 100.00 | | | 100.00 | | |
| Assessing | | 1,000.00 | | 1,334.44 | | 334.44 | |
| Cemeteries | | 2,000.00 | | 2,202.49 | | 202.49 | |
| Conservation | | 375.00 | 50.00 | 274.94 | 150.06 | | 150.06 |

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT - 2

| <u>Appropriation Account</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Receipts</u> | <u>Expendi- tures</u> | <u>Balance</u> | <u>Overdraft</u> | <u>Carried Over 1976</u> |
|----------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------------------------|
| Debt Service: | | | | | | |
| Prin & Long Term | | | | | | |
| Notes & Bonds | \$10,500.00 | | \$10,500.00 | | | |
| Int. - Long Term | | | | | | |
| Notes & Bonds | 1,516.50 | | 1,516.50 | | | |
| Int. - Temp.Loans | 25,000.00 | | 15,120.00 | \$9,880.00 | | |
| Old Age Assist. | 624.00 | | 198.00 | 426.00 | | |
| Sub-Totals | \$216,952.26 | \$2,629.29 | \$202,836.86 | \$25,394.14 | \$8,649.45 | \$650.72 |
| Special | | | | | | |
| Appropriations | | | | | | |
| Art.6 (Sel. Off) | 3,850.00 | | 4,017.27 | | 167.27 | |
| Art.7 (Stickney) | 2,000.00 | | 2,474.75 | | 474.75 | |
| Art.8 (FD Cap.Res) | 15,000.00 | | 15,000.00 | | | |
| Art.9 (Eng. #1) | 4,000.00 | | 4,000.00 | | | |
| Art.10(Waterhole) | 1,000.00 | | | 1,000.00 | | |
| Art.11(Trees) | 2,000.00 | | 1,130.05 | 869.95 | | 869.95 |
| Art.12(History) | 5,995.00 | | 748.17 | 5,246.82 | | 5,246.82 |
| Art.13(SRRPDC) | 1,718.25 | | 1,718.25 | | | |
| Art.14(BiCenCom) | 2,000.00 | | 19.00 | 1,981.00 | | 1,981.00 |
| Art.16(SolidWaste) | 7,600.00 | | 7,600.00 | | | |
| Art.18(Library) | 12,000.00 | | 11,981.95 | 18.05 | | |
| Subtotals | \$57,163.25 | \$48,689.45 | | 9,115.82 | 642.02 | 9,097.77 |
| TOTALS | \$274,115.51 | \$2,629.29 | \$251,526.31 | \$34,509.96 | \$9,291.47 | \$9,748.49 |

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT - 3

| 1974 | | | | |
|------|-----------------------|---------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | <u>Appropriation</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Expendi- ture</u> | <u>Balance</u> |
| | Art. 8 Tax Map | \$7,000.00 | \$7,000.00 | |
| | Art. 13 Cemet. | 543.00 | 213.50 | |
| | Art. 26 Land- fill | 17,151.57 | 17,151.57 | |
| | | | | \$ 329.50 |
| | | | | <u>Carried Over 1975</u> |
| | | | | \$329.50 |

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance Sheet

ASSETS

Cash:

In hands of Treasurer \$479,539 92

Capital Reserve Funds:

Fire Equipment \$ 15,000.00 15,000.00

Accounts Due Town - From State

TRA Income 3,713.88

BOR Fund 518.17

Total 4,232.05

Unredeemed Taxes

Levy of 1974 3,968.62

Levy of 1973 604.04

Total 4,572.66

Uncollected Taxes

Levy of 1975 Including Resident Taxes 67,854.62

Total 67,854.62

Grand Total \$571,199.25

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by Town:

Unexpended Balance Special Appropriations - 1975 9,097.77

Unexpended Balance Special Appropriations - 1974 329.50

Unexpended Balances - Bond & Notes 16,000.00

Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds 20,832.45

School District Tax Payable 451,317.05

State Auditors 2,006.47

Total Accounts Owed by Town \$499,583.24

Capital Reserve Funds 15,000.00

Current Surplus (Excess of assets over liabilities) 56,616.01

Grand Total \$571,199.25

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes - 1975 \$976,235.78

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

| | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Property Taxes - 1975 | \$976,235.78 | |
| Resident Taxes - 1975 | 16,580.00 | |
| Yield Taxes - 1975 | <u>64.80</u> | \$992,880.58 |
| Property Taxes - Previous Years | | 68,582.83 |
| Interest Recd. on Delinquent Taxes | | 3,205.35 |
| Penalties - Resident Taxes | | 243.00 |
| Tax Sales redeemed | | 11,849.14 |

From State:

| | | |
|--|--|-----------|
| For Town Road Aid | | 3,229.47 |
| Highway Subsidy | | 12,157.47 |
| Interest & Dividends Tax | | 14,170.55 |
| Savings Bank Tax | | 1,292.87 |
| Rockingham-Strafford Manpower Adm. | | 3,334.53 |
| Meals and Rooms Tax | | 19,117.41 |
| Reimbursement a/c Business & Profits Tax | | 3,724.96 |
| Receipt BOR Funds | | 989.30 |

From Local Sources, Except Taxes

| | | |
|--|--------|------------------|
| Dog Licenses | | 1,268.75 |
| Business licenses, permits & filing fees | | 3,831.70 |
| Rent of Town Property | | 170.00 |
| Interest received on deposits | | 11,809.25 |
| Income from departments | | 259.57 |
| Motor Vehicle Permits | | |
| 1974 - \$ | 970.84 | |
| 1975 - <u>48,002.35</u> | | <u>48,973.19</u> |

Total Current Revenue Receipts \$1,201,089.92

Receipts other than Current Revenue

| | |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes | \$600,000.00 |
| Refunds | 334.00 |
| Grants from U.S.A. | |
| Revenue Sharing | 18,846.00 |
| Interest on Investments of Revenue | |
| Sharing | 1,981.33 |
| Law Enforcement Assistance Act | 1,058.00 |
| All Other Receipts | |
| Miscellaneous | 7,614.81 |
| Certificates of Deposits | 955,000.00 |
| Checks Returned Payment | 8,191.86 |

Total Receipts from All Sources \$2,794,115.92

Cash on Hand - January 1, 1975 409,466.31

Grand Total \$3,203,582.23

| | | |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| Unclassified: | | |
| Taxes bought by town | \$ 12,878.14 | |
| Discounts, Abatements & Refunds | 1,923.49 | |
| Employees Retirement & Soc. Sec. | 2,690.21 | |
| Federal Withholding Tax | <u>6,608.13</u> | |
| Total Current Maintenance Expenses | | \$ 200,262.42 |
| Debt Service: | | |
| Interest on Debt: | | |
| Paid on tax anticipation notes | \$15,120.00 | |
| Paid on long term notes | 266.50 | |
| Paid on bonded debt | <u>1,250.00</u> | |
| Total Interest Payments | | 16,636.50 |
| Principal of Debt: | | |
| Certificates of Deposit | \$1,055,000.00 | |
| Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes | 600,000.00 | |
| Payments on long term notes | 6,500.00 | |
| Payments on bonded debt | <u>4,000.00</u> | |
| Total Principal Payments | | 1,665,500.00 |
| Capital Outlay: | | |
| Article 12 | 748.18 | |
| Article 11 | 1,130.05 | |
| Article 6 | 4,017.27 | |
| Article 7 | 2,474.75 | |
| Article 8 | 15,000.00 | |
| Checks Returned | 2,080.46 | |
| Article 9 | 4,000.00 | |
| Article 13 | 1,718.25 | |
| Article 14 | 19.00 | |
| Article 16 | 7,600.00 | |
| Article 18 | 11,981.95 | |
| Article 13 (1974) | 213.50 | |
| Article 12 (1974) | 1,000.00 | |
| Article 8 | 7,000.00 | |
| Article 26 | <u>17,151.57</u> | |
| Total Outlay Payments | | 76,134.98 |
| Payments to Other Governmental Divisions | | |
| Payments to State a-c 25 Bond & Debt Retirement Taxes | 10.97 | |
| Taxes paid to County | 46,831.92 | |
| Payments to School District | <u>718,665.52</u> | |
| Total Payments to Other Govt. Divisions | | <u>765,508.41</u> |
| Total Payments for all Purposes | | \$2,724,042.31 |
| Cash on hand December 31, 1975 | | <u>479,539.92</u> |
| Grant Total | | \$3,203,582.23 |

SCHEDULE OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS

| Long Term Notes Outstanding: | <u>Purpose</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| No. 30 - Maude K. Bronson - 6 1/4% | Highway | \$4,000.00 |
| No. 31 - " " " | " | \$3,000.00 |
| No. 32 - " " " | " | \$3,000.00 |
| No. 33 - " " " | " | \$3,000.00 |
| No. 34 - " " " | " | <u>\$3,000.00</u> |
| Total Long Term Indebtedness | | \$16,000.00 |

RECONCILIATION OF OUTSTANDING LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| Outstanding Long Term Debt - December 31, 1974 | \$26,500.00 |
| Debt Retirement During Fiscal Year: | |
| Long Term Notes Paid | \$ 6,500.00 |
| Bonds Paid | <u>4,000.00</u> |
| Total | 10,500.00 |
| Outstanding Long Term Debt | \$16,000.00 |

SELECTMEN'S REPORT 1975

This has been an important year in the development of Atkinson. In a year when the entire country was still in the throes of a serious recession, we have continued to grow. Our total building permits issued were only three under our record of 124 set in 1973. New housing starts were only three under our record of 70 set in the year 1972, and our total Builders' Estimated Cost actually set a new record of \$2,266,000. We have experience a full year of use of the Town's first Municipal Building, the Kimball Public Library. We instituted a new Transfer Station to dispose of the town's rubbish. We, unfortunately, set new records in house fires and police calls. We have commenced work on a tax map for the entire Town which should be completed this year. These developments have not been accomplished without a significant increase in cost. Budget estimates for 1976 are up over \$50,000.

We have several areas of concern for the immediate future which we would like to share with you. They are as follows:

Administration costs will continue to rise; we have budgeted for five half-days of coverage that the Selectmen's Office will be open. Our goal is for full five day coverage. With the completion of the Tax Map, and the ever increasing duties of our office, we are in all probability headed for a full-time Administrative Assistant sometime in the future.

While we are very appreciative of the interest and cooperation of our Town Departments and Boards, we must emphasize that Atkinson is still a Volunteer Town. It can only continue to exist in this manner through increased participation by the citizenry at large. Through this increased participation, we might just be able to postpone that first full-time policeman, highway man, etc. You the people must make this decision.

The Town Dump problem appears to have been solved! But it hasn't really; a solution has been found but it is a very expensive solution. We are approaching the second year of our contract at some \$39,000 per year. We have an option to continue our present operation for an additional three years at a reduced cost, but it's still the largest single cost in our budget. There may be a more economical way to handle it, and we need all the help we can get to investigate alternatives.

We must investigate and come up with solutions to such things as Disposal of Septage, Permanent Long Term ambulance service for the Town, Growth Control through Zoning Ordinance Amendments, how to keep all our Departmental costs to a minimum.

Let us all get involved in OUR town and let's have the best Bicentennial Celebration we can possibly have.

John W. Holbrook, Chairman
Helen V. Woodlock
Philip V. Consentino

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1975

Automobile Fees:

| | | |
|----------------------------|------------------|---------------|
| 1974 | \$ 970.84 | |
| 1975 | <u>48,002.35</u> | \$48,973.19 |
| Dog Licenses | \$ 955.00 | |
| Filing Fees | 7.00 | |
| Zoning Books | <u>10.00</u> | <u>972.00</u> |
| Received December 31, 1975 | | \$49,945.19 |
| Paid Treasurer | | \$49,945.19 |

I hereby certify that the above is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Eleanor M. Zarembo

TOWN CLERK

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
LEVY OF 1975

| | | |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Taxes Committed to Collector | | |
| Property Taxes | 1,033,801.87 | |
| Resident Taxes | 16,900.00 | |
| Total Warrant | | 1,050,701.87 |
| Yield Taxes | | 64.80 |
| Added Taxes | | |
| Property Taxes | 16,489.16 | |
| Resident Taxes | 930.00 | |
| | | 17,419.26 |
| Overpayments During Year | | |
| Property Taxes | 1,293.77 | |
| Resident Taxes | 40.00 | |
| | | 1,333.77 |
| Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes | | 121.20 |
| Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes | | 52.00 |
| TOTAL DEBITS | | 1,069,692.90 |
| Remittances to Treasurer | | |
| Property Taxes | 976,400.58 | |
| Resident Taxes | 14,660.00 | |
| Yield Taxes | 64.80 | |
| Interest Collected | 121.20 | |
| Penalties on Resident Taxes | 52.00 | |
| | | 991,298.58 |
| Abatements Made During Year | | |
| Property Taxes | 9,379.39 | |
| Resident Taxes | 1,160.00 | |
| | | 10,539.39 |
| Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1975 (As Per Collector's List) | | |
| Property Taxes | 65,804.62 | |
| Resident Taxes | 2,050.00 | |
| | | 67,854.62 |
| TOTAL CREDITS | | 1,069,692.59 |

LEVY OF 1974

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1975

| | | |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Property Taxes | 55,900.65 | |
| Resident Taxes | 1,880.00 | |
| Interest Collected | 1,053.16 | |
| Penalties | 187.00 | |
| | | 59,020.81 |

Abatements Made During Year

| | | |
|----------------|--------|----------|
| Property Taxes | 746.70 | |
| Resident Taxes | 960.00 | |
| | | 1,706.70 |

| | |
|---------------|-----------|
| TOTAL CREDITS | 60,727.51 |
|---------------|-----------|

LEVY OF 1973

| | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Resident Taxes | 40.00 |
| Resident Tax Penalties | 4.00 |

| | |
|---------------|-------|
| TOTAL CREDITS | 44.00 |
|---------------|-------|

| Remittances to Treasurer During Year | <u>1974</u> | <u>1973</u> | <u>1972</u> | <u>Previous Years</u> |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| Redemptions | 9218.60 | 422.39 | 463.34 | 1727.57 |
| Interest & Costs | | | | |
| After Sale | 314.99 | 47.49 | 89.73 | 647.59 |
| Abatements | 96.61 | | | |
| Unredeemed Taxes as of December 31, 1975 | 3968.62 | 604.04 | | |
| TOTAL CREDITS | 13,598.82 | 1073.92 | 553.07 | 2375.16 |

Costs Collected for 1975 181.98

Total remitted to treasurer for year 1975 \$1,063,477.07

I hereby certify that the above report is correct to the best of
my knowledge and belief.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessi Anastasi
TAX COLLECTOR

TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1975

CASH RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

| | |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Property Taxes - Current Year | \$976,235.78 |
| Property Taxes - Prior Year (1974) | 68,582.83 |
| Tax Sales Redeemed | 11,849.14 |
| Resident Taxes | 16,580.00 |
| Resident Taxes - Penalties | 243.00 |
| Interest and Penalties - Taxes | 3,205.35 |
| Yield Taxes | 64.80 |

From State:

| | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Interest and Dividends Tax | 14,170.55 |
| Meals and Room Tax | 19,117.41 |
| Business Profits Tax | 3,724.96 |
| State Bank Tax | 1,292.87 |
| Highway Subsidy | 12,157.47 |
| 90 % - Pope Road Project | 989.30 |
| Federal-State | 1,058.00 |
| T/R/A - Accelerate | 3,229.47 |
| County - Rock. Strafford Advr. | 3,334.53 |

From Local Sources Except Taxes:

| | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Dog Licenses | 1,268.75 |
| Permits - Building | 3,581.70 |
| " Board of Adjustments | 40.00 |
| " Pistol | 10.00 |
| " Health Officer | 130.00 |
| " Planning Board Hearings | 50.00 |
| Rent of Town Property | 170.00 |
| Interest Received on Deposits | 11,809.25 |
| Motor Vehicle Permits - 1974 | 970.84 |
| " " " - 1975 | 48,002.35 |
| Horses | 20.00 |

Other Than Current Revenue

| | |
|--|------------|
| Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Taxes | 600,000.00 |
| Payment in Lieu of Taxes | 0 |
| Sale of Cemetery Lots | 0 |
| Certificate of Deposit | 955,000.00 |
| Check Returned Payments | 10,193.19 |
| Transfers - Savings, etc. | 0 |
| Federal Revenue Sharing | 18,846.00 |
| Zoning Books | 20.00 |

Receipts Other Than Current Revenue (Cont'd)

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Philo Hutcheson | \$ 524.31 |
| Filing Fees | 7.00 |
| Derry - Snow - 2 Years | 350.00 |
| R & C Realty Trust - 7 1/2% Rec. Area | 4,000.00 |
| James McLeod - Contribution | 75.00 |
| Library - Reimb. F.I.C.A. | 259.57 |
| Gordon Brown - Sleepy Hollow Rep. | 900.00 |
| P.O. Box Refund | 3.00 |
| Fines - Dogs | 5.00 |
| Disposal of Dogs | 5.00 |
| Property Card - Copies | 1.00 |
| Refund - Sherwin Williams | 5.00 |
| Insurance Refund | 334.00 |
| Public Hearing | 20.00 |
| Street Signs | 60.00 |
| Atkinson Days Dance | 371.50 |
| Capt. Louis J. Balestra | 777.00 |
| Thomas B. Merrick - | |
| Atkinson Conservation Commission | 50.00 |
| Photo Copies | <u>1.00</u> |

Total Receipts From All Sources \$2,794,115.92

CASH SUMMARY

Arlington Trust Company - Checking Account

| | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| Cash on Hand - January 1, 1975 | \$ 125,984.46 |
| Received During Year | <u>2,794,115.92</u> |
| Total | \$2,920,100.38 |

Payments During Year

| | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Selectmens Orders Paid | 1,170,373.81 | |
| Certificates Deposit | 1,055,000.00 | |
| Tax Anticipation Note | 600,000.00 | |
| Fire Truck Note | 6,500.00 | |
| Highway Note | 4,000.00 | |
| Interest Paid (Notes) | | |
| Tax Anticipation | 15,120.00 | |
| Fire Truck | 266.50 | |
| Highway | 1,250.00 | |
| Checks Returned | <u>2,080.46</u> | \$2,854,590.77 |

Cash on Hand - December 31, 1975 \$ 65,509.61

Cash in Hands of Treasurer - December 31, 1975

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| Arlington Trust Company - Checking Acct. | \$ 65,509.61 |
| Arlington Trust Company - Certificates of Deposit | 300,000.00 |
| Arlington Trust Company - Fed. Revenue Sharing | 49,823.33 |
| Arlington Trust Company - Savings Acct. | 59,287.46 |
| Arlington Trust Company - Greenbelt Acct. | 4,136.79 |
| Plaistow Co-Op - Civil Defense Fund | 749.46 |
| Haverhill National - Recreation | 1,010.25 |
| Family Mutual - Whitaker Fund | 798.35 |
| Family Mutual - Wm. C. Todd Fund | <u>1,224.67</u> |

Total \$479,539.92

Interest Received as of December 31, 1975

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Certificates of Deposit | \$ 11,809.25 |
| Tax Collector | 3,205.35 |
| Arlington Trust - Federal Revenue Sharing | 1,981.33 |
| Arlington Trust - Savings Account | 2,739.60 |
| Arlington Trust - Greenbelt | 136.79 |
| Plaistow Co-Op - Civil Defense | 38.86 |
| Family Mutual - Whitaker Fund | 41.36 |
| Family Mutual - Wm. C. Todd Fund | <u>63.46</u> |

Total \$ 20,016.00

Notes Payable

| <u>No.</u> | <u>Issue Date</u> | <u>Due Date</u> | <u>Purpose</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Interest Rate</u> | <u>Interest</u> |
|------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| 30 | 6-25-74 | 6-25-76 | Highway | \$4,000.00 | 6 1/4% | 250.00 |
| 31 | 6-25-74 | 6-25-77 | Highway | \$3,000.00 | 6 1/4% | 187.50 |
| 32 | 6-25-74 | 6-25-78 | Highway | \$3,000.00 | 6 1/4% | 187.50 |
| 33 | 6-25-74 | 6-25-79 | Highway | \$3,000.00 | 6 1/4% | 187.50 |
| 34 | 6-25-74 | 6-25-80 | Highway | <u>\$3,000.00</u> | 6 1/4% | <u>187.50</u> |
| Totals | | | | \$16,000.00 | | \$1,000.00 |

Gordon E. Brennan,

Treasurer

FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING FUNDS

1972 - 1975

| <u>Receipts</u> | <u>Funds Received</u> | <u>Interest</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 1972 | \$10,677.00 | | |
| 1973 | 28,321.00 | \$ 1,315.24 | \$40,313.24 |
| 1974 | 19,841.00 | 2,536.23 | 62,690.47 |
| 1975 | 18,848.00 | 1,979.33 | 83,517.80 |
| Total Receipts | | | \$83,517.80 |

Disbursements (Per Selectmens Records)

| | <u>Description</u> | <u>Article No.</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1973 | | | None |
| 1974 | Library | 15 | \$35,254.97 |
| | Landfill | 26 | 848.43 |
| 1975 | Library | 18 | 11,981.95 |
| | Solid Waste | 16 | 7,600.00 |
| | Tax Map | 8 | <u>7,000.00</u> |
| Total Disbursements | | | \$62,685.35 |
| Balance - December 31, 1975 | | | <u>\$20,832.45</u> |

Gordon E. Brennan

Treasurer

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

1975 Appropriation.....\$14,530.00

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| John W. Holbrook, Selectman | \$ 975.00 | |
| Helen V. Woodlock, Selectman | 925.00 | |
| Philip V. Consentino, Selectman | 900.00 | |
| Joanne Carbone, Treasurer's Clerk | 225.00 | |
| Helen Woodlock, Treasurer's Clerk | 75.00 | |
| Gordon Brennan, Treasurer | 800.00 | |
| Joyce Witley, Bookkeeper | 819.50 | |
| Joanne Carbone, Clerk | 1,328.25 | |
| Eleanor Zaremba, Town Clerk | 3,071.40 | |
| Muriel Hirsch, Asst. Town Clerk | 150.00 | |
| Jessi Anastasi, Tax Collector | 3,134.90 | |
| Jesse Boyden, Bldg. Inspector | 1,426.67 | |
| Howard Rogers, Dog Officer | 802.12 | |
| Diane Kinney, Asst. Dog Officer | 184.67 | |
| Earl Pratt, Dog Officer | 99.99 | |
| Philip Consentino, Dog Officer | 77.18 | |
| Philip Consentino, Horse Officer | <u>6.00</u> | <u>\$15,000.68</u> |

Overexpended \$ 470.68
=====

TOWN OFFICE EXPENSES

1975 Appropriation.....\$ 5,945.00

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Clerical Services | \$ 104.00 | |
| Census | 250.00 | |
| Office Supplies, Postage, etc. | 2,301.81 | |
| Dues | 313.43 | |
| Equipment | 380.00 | |
| Recording Tax Exemptions | 190.60 | |
| Public Notices | 224.07 | |
| Tax Bills, etc. | 386.38 | |
| Town Reports - printing, photos, | 1,051.00 | |
| Rental Expenses | 40.00 | |
| Audit | 500.00 | |
| Travel Expense - Conventions | 274.98 | |
| Dog Officer Supplies | 30.79 | |
| Equipment Repair | 20.00 | |
| Misc. Box rents, care of flag, etc. | <u>285.04</u> | <u>\$ 6,352.10</u> |

Overexpended \$ 407.10
=====

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

1975 Appropriation.....\$ 735.00

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|-----------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Checklist Supervisors | \$ 175.00 | |
| Ballot Clerks | 250.00 | |
| Moderator | 50.00 | |
| Meals | 70.41 | |
| Custodial | 95.00 | |
| Ballots | <u>167.75</u> | <u>\$ 808.16</u> |

Overexpended \$ 73.16
=====

TOWN HALL AND OTHER BUILDINGS

1975 Appropriation.....\$10,975.00

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|--|--------------|--------------------|
| Custodial | \$1,540.00 | |
| Heat | 3,033.92 | |
| Electric | 1,712.51 | |
| Supplies | 792.26 | |
| Telephone | 2,514.23 | |
| Maintenance | 202.05 | |
| Contracted Services (Paint Town Hall - Wire Fire House) | 2,034.01 | |
| Misc. | <u>83.40</u> | <u>\$11,912.38</u> |

Overexpended \$ 937.38
=====

POLICE DEPARTMENT

1975 Appropriation.....\$20,482.00
1975 Income (Crime Commission) 1,058.00

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|------------------------------|-----------|--|
| Office Supplies | \$ 379.88 | |
| Radio Maintenance | 131.70 | |
| Equipment | 1,113.00 | |
| Administrative Supplies | 40.00 | |
| Officers: | | |
| Robert Conley, Chief, Salary | 2,947.00 | |
| " " , Mileage | 1,365.24 | |
| Robert McCarthy, Salary | 774.00 | |
| " " , Mileage | 537.28 | |
| Daniel Bishop, Salary | 101.75 | |
| " " , Mileage | 1.80 | |
| " " , Custodian | 20.00 | |
| Fred Bishop, Salary | 558.25 | |
| " " , Mileage | 272.52 | |
| Paul Caradonna, Salary | 478.50 | |
| " " , Mileage | 322.68 | |

| | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Donald Nye, Salary | 1,188.00 | |
| " " , Mileage | 498.84 | |
| " " , Dispatch | 90.75 | |
| Earl Pratt, Salary | 1,088.25 | |
| " " , Mileage | 970.95 | |
| Kenneth Austin, Salary | 935.00 | |
| " " , Mileage | 259.68 | |
| Philip Consentino, Salary | 907.50 | |
| " " , Mileage | 171.24 | |
| Helen Conley, Clerk | 1,200.00 | |
| " " , Dispatch | 1,146.75 | |
| " " , Police Matron | 44.00 | |
| Diane Kinney, Asst. Clerk | 404.25 | |
| " " , Dispatch | 1,273.25 | |
| " " , Police Matron | 8.25 | |
| " " , Mileage & Custodian | 223.00 | |
| Joan Lewis, Asst. Clerk | 453.75 | |
| " " , Dispatch | 778.25 | |
| Pat Bernett, School Crossing Guard | <u>800.00</u> | <u>\$21,487.31</u> |

| | | |
|---------|--|----------|
| Balance | | \$ 52.69 |
| | | ===== |

FIRE DEPARTMENT

1975 Appropriation.....\$10,650.00

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Equipment | \$3,822.31 | |
| Truck & Radio Maintenance & Repairs | 4,348.47 | |
| Supplies | 408.29 | |
| Payroll | 36.00 | |
| Burner Inspections | 121.00 | |
| Subscriptions and Dues | 172.00 | |
| Maintenance Supervisor | 100.00 | |
| Extinguisher Maintenance | 106.50 | |
| Forestry | 66.86 | |
| Instructor - Training | 250.00 | |
| Baseline Account | <u>572.71</u> | <u>\$10,004.14</u> |

| | | |
|---------|--|-----------|
| Balance | | \$ 645.86 |
| | | ===== |

SOCIAL SECURITY

1975 Appropriation.....\$ 2,800.00
 Receipts 271.29

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Treasurer, State of New Hampshire | <u>\$2,690.21</u> | <u>\$ 2,690.21</u> |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|

| | | |
|---------|--|-----------|
| Balance | | \$ 381.08 |
| | | ===== |

INSURANCE

| | | |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$ 6,350.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| Blackadar Insurance Agency | \$ 6,543.00 | \$ 6,543.00 |
| Overexpended | | \$ 193.00 |
| | | ===== |

PLANNING AND ZONING

| | | |
|--------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$ 755.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| Clerical | \$ 288.00 | |
| Supplies | 9.45 | |
| Postage | <u>4.40</u> | \$ <u>301.85</u> |
| Balance | | \$ 453.15 |
| | | ===== |

DAMAGE AND LEGAL

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$ 2,500.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| Town Council | \$ 1,962.50 | |
| Refuse Process Case | 925.00 | |
| Dog Damage | 114.15 | |
| Wells | 2,775.26 | |
| Towing | <u>15.00</u> | \$ <u>5,806.91</u> |
| Overexpended | | \$ 3,306.91 |
| | | ===== |

CIVIL DEFENSE

| | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|------------------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$ 150.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| Mileage | \$ 86.70 | |
| Treas. - State of New Hampshire | <u>43.60</u> | \$ <u>130.30</u> |
| Balance | | \$ 19.70 |
| | | ===== |

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1975 Appropriation.....\$ 1,300.00

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| Health Officer | \$ 585.10 | |
| Shanahan's Ambulance | 123.00 | |
| Kingston Ambulance | 70.00 | |
| Greater Salem Mental Health | <u>500.00</u> | \$ 1,278.10 |

Balance \$ 21.90
=====

VITAL STATISTICS

1975 Appropriation.....\$ 50.00

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|-----------------|----------|----------|
| Eleanor Zarembo | \$ 34.00 | \$ 34.00 |
|-----------------|----------|----------|

Balance \$ 16.00
=====

TOWN DUMP AND GARBAGE DISPOSAL

1975 Appropriation.....\$ 8,260.00

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|--------------------|---------------|-------------|
| Custodian | \$ 2,133.00 | |
| Supplies | 59.57 | |
| Gravel | 225.00 | |
| Rent | 1,000.00 | |
| Road Agent | 56.00 | |
| Hauling Fill | 900.00 | |
| Equipment Rental | 1,232.00 | |
| Labor | 1,024.00 | |
| Contracted Service | <u>883.91</u> | \$ 7,513.48 |

Balance \$ 746.52
=====

SUMMER MAINTENANCE

1975 Appropriation.....\$18,300.00

Receipts 900.00

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|------------------|-------------|--|
| Patch | \$ 4,991.18 | |
| Pipe | 372.75 | |
| Supplies | 321.83 | |
| Road Agent | 1,265.35 | |
| Equipment Rental | 9,070.40 | |

| | | |
|---------|---------------|----------------------|
| Labor | 1,246.31 | |
| Gravel | <u>184.00</u> | <u>\$17,451.82</u> |
| Balance | | \$ 1,748.18 ===== |

WINTER MAINTENANCE

| | | |
|-------------------------|--|-------------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$25,800.00 |
| Receipts | | 350.00 |

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Salt | \$ 7,021.83 | |
| Patch | 234.06 | |
| Sand | 90.00 | |
| Screening Pit | 140.00 | |
| Road Agent | 1,127.00 | |
| Equipment Rental | 19,547.68 | |
| Labor | <u>206.00</u> | <u>\$28,366.57</u> |

| | | |
|--------------|--|----------------------|
| Overexpended | | \$ 2,216.57 ===== |
|--------------|--|----------------------|

GAS TAX

| | | |
|-------------------------|--|-------------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$12,165.76 |
|-------------------------|--|-------------|

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Road Agent | \$ 147.00 | |
| Equipment Rental | 2,692.92 | |
| Labor | 22.00 | |
| Asphalt | 5,364.66 | |
| Gravel | 96.00 | |
| Patch | <u>3,843.18</u> | <u>\$12,165.76</u> |

| | | |
|---------|--|------------|
| Balance | | 0 ===== |
|---------|--|------------|

TOWN ROAD AID

| | | |
|-------------------------|--|-----------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$ 487.00 |
|-------------------------|--|-----------|

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| State of New Hampshire | <u>\$ 487.00</u> | <u>\$ 487.00</u> |
|------------------------|------------------|------------------|

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|---------|--|------------|
| Balance | | 0 ===== |
|---------|--|------------|



ATKINSON SELECTMEN

Philip V. Consentino; John W. Holbrook, Chairman; Mrs. Helen V. Woodlock



ATKINSON PLANNING BOARD

Patricia Rogers, Clerk; Maurice Collins, Chairman; Meredith Reynolds; Edmund Stryeski; John Holbrook. Absent - Martin Feuer, Linda Roberts, Lloyd Blackadar



ATKINSON BUDGET COMMITTEE

Clifton Piper; James Wells; Russell Couture; Charles Patuto; Richard Paolino. Absent: Thomas Merrick, Chairman; Philip Consentino



BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Merle Ashford; C. Carroll Rock, Chairman; Richard Pyne; Russell Burbank; Dudley Killam

**TOWN WARRANT
BUDGET**

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Atkinson in the County of Rockingham, in said State qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Atkinson Town Hall on Tuesday the second day of March next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and close not earlier than seven o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the coming year.

2. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the amendments to the zoning ordinances as proposed by the Planning Board:

1. Are you in favor of amending the zoning ordinances as follows?

Page 1 "Article III" to be inserted over the word "Definitions".

Page 1 Article III B. Change to "Right of way means Class I-V highways as defined in RSA 320 if such highways are paved, or streets shown on subdivision plats approved by the Atkinson Planning Board."

Page 3 Article IV, Section C. Delete "regardless of frontage and area requirements" and replace with "at the discretion of the Planning Board."

Page 3 Article VI. Add "(1)" after the words "General Residential and Agricultural District."

Page 6 Article VI. Add "(2)" after the words "Commercial District."

Page 6 Article VI A. Add "(3)" after the words "Industrial Commercial District."

Page 7 Change "Area Definitions" to "Zone Definitions" and "Areas" 1, 2 and 3 to "Zones" 1, 2 and 3.

Page 7 Delete "The line intersects.....Commercial."

- Page 8 Change "Area" 6 to "Zone" 6 and add "now or formerly" before the name "Dinsmore" in the first part of the definition.
- Page 8 Change "Commercial Area D" to "Commercial Zone D".
- Page 13 Move "VI. Structural Requirements - A. No building shall be erected.....the following requirements:" to the top of Page 15.
- Page 16 Section 10. Change "dwelling unit" to "story".
- Page 24 Section VI, Section A. Change "The final plat... triplicate." to "Four copies of the final plan submitted for approval and subsequent recording shall be submitted."
- Page 25 Section VI, Article B, Part 3. Add: "Each change of direction shall be marked by an iron bound or other permanent monument at the discretion of the Planning Board."
- Page 29 Under Location of Wells, add "at the discretion of the Health Officer."
- Page 30 Change "not less than 1/2 inch per foot" to "between 1/4 and 1/8 inch per foot."
- Page 30 Table 2: Under "Absorption Bed", change "110" to "10."
- Page 31 Table 3. Under "Number of Bedrooms" delete "2 or less" and "3" and change to "Up to 4" and under "Minimum Liquid Capacity" delete "750" and "900" and change to "1000".

Recommended by Planning Board

Building Code Amendments

1. Are you in favor of amending Section VI to read: There shall not be less than two 20 amp kitchen circuits and each circuit shall have no more than two duplex receptacles.

Recommended by Planning Board

2. Are you in favor of amending Section VI to read: Outlets in kitchens, dining rooms and dining areas shall be supplied by 20 amp circuits.

Recommended by Planning Board

2. Are you in favor of amending Section VI by adding the following after Paragraph 8, Page 16:

1. A furnace safety switch shall be located in a room other than the furnace room.

Recommended by Planning Board

2. Ground rods shall be at least eight feet in length whenever possible.

Recommended by Planning Board

3. There shall not be more than eight outlets and/or lights per 15 amp circuit.

Recommended by Planning Board

4. Each new house shall have a heat-smoke detector.

Not Recommended by Planning Board

5. Any room in a new home that is to be left unfinished at the time of final inspection shall have one outlet on a single circuit.

Recommended by Planning Board.

6. Electricians wiring a new home shall print their name and/or company on the main panel and shall label every circuit in the panel.

Recommended by Planning Board

3. By Petition: Are you in favor of amending Area 6's definition of Efficiency Apartments to read:

"Efficiency apartments defined as living quarters for not over two persons per one bedroom unit with kitchenette and bath with a minimum square footage of 350 square feet or one room apartments defined as living quarters for not over one person per unit with kitchenette and bath with a minimum square footage of 300 square feet, providing satisfactory sanitary disposal is feasible and ample off-street parking is provided subject to approval of the Planning Board.

Not Recommended by Planning Board

3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, negotiate and do all other things necessary to obtain such State, Federal, Foundation and/or Private Grants or Funds as may be available, and to expend the same.

4. To see if the Town will vote to elect the members of the Planning Board rather than have them appointed by the Selectmen.

5. To see if the Town will vote to approve an expenditure of \$10,000 from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds under the U.S. Federal Act of 1972 to pay the balance owed for the preparation of the Town's Tax Map, or take any other action thereto.

6. To see if the Town will vote to accept "Summit Extension" as a public way.

7. To see if the Town will vote to accept "Sawmill Road" as a public way.

8. To see if the Town will vote to accept "Upland Road" as a public way.

9. To see if the Town will vote to accept "Devonshire Road" as a public way.

10. To see whether the Town will vote to join the Strafford-Rockingham Regional Planning Council and authorize the Town's representation to the Southern Rockingham Regional Planning District Commission to act as delegates to that Council.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$16,000) for Police services, whereby the Town will sign a contract with the Rockingham County Sheriff's Department to provide a Deputy on a full-time bases, and supporting services as required, for a period of one year at a cost of Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$14,000) plus Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) for miscellaneous police expenses such as gas, oil, and to authorize the Selectmen to enter into an agreement with the Governor's Commission on Crime and Delinquency for partial funding of the Deputy Sheriff and related police equipment.

Not Recommended by Budget Committee

12. By Petition. To require the Selectmen to bid for the Town at each tax sale on all property except that being bid upon by the owner of record.

13. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) to be put in the Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of updating equipment for the Fire Department. This is the second of ten articles to be submitted over a period of ten years.

Recommended by Budget Committee

14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) from the Capital Reserve Fund established for the purpose of updating equipment for the Fire Department for the purpose of purchasing a combination-type truck for the Fire Department.

Recommended by Budget Committee

15. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund with the money represented by the savings account in the Town's name at the Haverhill National Bank, such fund being for the purchase and/or development of recreational property.

16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase a fully equipped police cruiser through the New Hampshire Safety Committee for Five Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty Dollars (\$5,620), Forty percent (40%) to be reimbursed by Highway Safety.

Recommended by Budget Committee

17. By Petition. To see if the Town will vote to rescind Article 22 in the 1974 Town Warrant which read as follows: "To see if the Town will vote to accept the following Dog Ordinances: All dogs except those on a leash or working, hunting or show dogs under full control of the handler will be restrained to the owners' property at all times. A fine of \$20.00 will be imposed for each violation. Said fine will be distributed as follows - \$10.00 for the Dog Officer; \$10.00 for the Town of Atkinson."

18. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following ordinance, which supplements the statutory provisions now contained in RSA 466 and other statutes as they now exist and as they may from time to time be amended. Authority for the Town's adoption of this ordinance is granted by RSA 466:39 and RSA 31:39.

Section 1. No dog shall at any time leave the property of its owner or keeper unless under the control of its owner or keeper.

Section 2. A dog will be deemed to be under control if

(a) the dog is attached to a leash held by a person capable of controlling the dog by such means or

(b) the dog is accompanied by a person capable of controlling the dog by command.

Section 3. Upon violation of this ordinance, the dog may be impounded by a Dog Officer or other person appointed by the Selectmen to enforce the provisions of this ordinance. The Dog Officer shall make all reasonable efforts to notify the owner or keeper if the dog is impounded.

Section 4. No impounded dog shall be released by the Dog Officer until the reasonable costs of impoundment have been paid.

Section 5. If, after all reasonable efforts to do so, the owner or keeper cannot be notified by the Dog Officer within five (5) days of impoundment, or if the owner or keeper does not pay the reasonable costs of impoundment within two (2) days after being informed of such costs, the dog may be destroyed.

Section 6. The owner or keeper of a dog violating the provisions of Section 1 shall be subject to a fine of not more than Ten Dollars (\$10.00) for each such occurrence.

Section 7. The invalidity of any section or provision of this ordinance shall not invalidate other sections or provisions.

Section 8. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

19. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) for the purchase of a truck for Town Highway Department use.

Recommended by Budget Committee

20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$4,400) to reconstruct and resurface Pheasant Lane.

Not Recommended by Budget Committee

21. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$4,250) to hot-top a parking area for the Kimball Library and the Firehouse.

Not Recommended by Budget Committee

22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to pay for an ambulance service.

Recommended by Budget Committee

23. By Petition. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000) to build a room approximately 40' x 40' x 12' for a dining area, recreational, voting and club room.

Not Recommended by Budget Committee

24. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$3,450) to have the exterior of the old and new section of the Kimball Public Library painted.

Recommended by Budget Committee

25. To see if the Town will vote to increase the Tax Collector's property tax bill fee from \$1.35 to \$1.50 per bill.

26. Town Meeting Resolution:

WHEREAS, The People of the Town of Atkinson rely on adequate supplies of quality waters for domestic and recreational purposes, and

WHEREAS, the continuing health, vitality and economic well-being of the Town and its people depend upon the maintenance of adequate supplies of good quality waters,

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it resolved by the people at Town Meeting assembled, that the goals of the Water Pollution Control Act Amendment from 1972, being the elimination of the discharge of pollutants into surface waters and the maintenance of water quality which provides for the protection and propagation of fish and wild life and provides for public health and recreation in and on the water, be adopted as worthy goals for the Town to pursue.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the officers and agents of the Town be directed to reflect in their actions, the goals of preventing, reducing and eliminating water pollution and that whenever possible, the Town shall guide the development and use of land to restore, preserve and enhance the quality of waters in the Town.

27. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to administer or dispose of any real estate that may be acquired through tax collector's deeds; however, such real estate shall be sold only to the person or persons who lost the real estate through Tax Collector's Deeds or at Public Auction or by bid, upon 15 days

public notice, including postings at three public places in Atkinson.

28. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation for same.

29. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to hire such sums of money as the the Town will need in anticipation of taxes.

30. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committess, act on same and transact any business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this sixteenth day of February in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Six.

John W. Holbrook
Philip V. Consentino
Helen V. Woodlock

A true copy of Warrant - Attest

John W. Holbrook
Philip V. Consentino
Helen V. Woodlock

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ATKINSON

| <u>Purpose of Appropriation</u> | <u>Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Recommended 1975</u> | <u>Submitted without Recom- mendation</u> |
|--|--|---|-----------------------------|---|
| General Government: | | | | |
| Town Officers' Salaries | \$14,530.00 | \$15,000.68 | \$16,680.00 | |
| Town Officers' Expenses | 5,945.00 | 6,352.10 | 11,550.00 | |
| Election & Registration Expenses | 735.00 | 808.16 | 1,712.00 | |
| Town Hall & Other Buildings | 11,275.00 | 12,212.38 | 7,760.00 | |
| Employees' Retirement & Soc.Sec. | 3,071.29 | 2,690.21 | 3,000.00 | |
| Appraisal of Property | 1,000.00 | 1,334.44 | 1,500.00 | |
| Contingency | | | 2, 00.00 | |
| Protection of Persons & Property: | | | | |
| Police Department | 21,540.00 | 21,487.31 | 18,623.00 | |
| Fire Department | 10,650.00 | 10,004.14 | 15,945.00 | |
| Insurance | 6,350.00 | 6,543.00 | 9,000.00 | |
| Planning & Zoning | 755.00 | 301.85 | 750.00 | |
| Damage & Legal Expenses | 2,500.00 | 5,806.91 | 4,000.00 | |
| Civil Defense | 150.00 | 130.30 | 150.00 | |
| Health Department (Incl. Hosp. & Amb.) | 1,300.00 | 1,278.10 | 2,300.00 | |
| Vital Statistics | 50.00 | 34.00 | 50.00 | |
| Town Dump | 8,260.00 | 7,513.48 | 39,745.00 | |
| Highways & Bridges: Summer Maintenance | 19,200.00 | 17,451.82 | 19,745.00 | |
| Gas Tax | 12,165.76 | 12,165.76 | 12,535.58 | |
| Winter Maintenance | 26,150.00 | 28,366.57 | 23,800.00 | |
| Street Lighting | 6,640.00 | 6,373.51 | 6,600.00 | |
| General Expenses - Highway Dept. | 2,916.00 | 3,025.61 | 3,660.00 | |
| Town Road Aid | 487.00 | 487.00 | 557.08 | |
| Libraries: | 8,350.00 | 8,350.00 | 9,625.00 | |

| <u>Purpose of Appropriation</u> | <u>Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Recommended 1976</u> | <u>Submitted without Recom- mendation</u> |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------|---|
| Public Welfare: | | | | |
| Town Poor | \$12,000.00 | \$ 1,714.49 | \$ 6,000.00 | |
| Old Age Assistance | 624.00 | 198.00 | 624.00 | |
| Patriotic Purposes (Memorial Day) | 587.00 | 386.00 | 587.00 | |
| Recreation: | 2,815.00 | 3,207.11 | 2,675.00 | |
| Conservation | 375.00 | 274.94 | 1,075.00 (150.06) | |
| Cemeteries | 2,000.00 | 2,202.49 | 2,100.00 | |
| Advertising & Regional Associations | 100.00 | 0 | 100.00 | |
| Debt Service: | | | | |
| Principal - Long Term Notes & Bonds | 10,500.00 | 10,500.00 | 4,000.00 | |
| Interest - Long Term Notes & Bonds | 1,516.50 | 1,516.50 | 1,000.00 | |
| Interest - Temporary Loans | 25,000.00 | 15,120.00 | 23,000.00 | |
| Capital Outlay: 1974 Articles | | | | |
| No. 8 - Tax Map | (7,000.00) | (7,000.00) | 0 | |
| No. 13 - Cemetery | (543.00) | (213.50) | (329.50) | |
| No. 28 - Solid Waste | (17,151.57) | (17,151.57) | 0 | |
| 1975 Articles: | | | | |
| No. 6 - Selectmen's Offices-Town Hall | 3,850.00 | 4,017.27 | 0 | |
| No. 7 - Stickney Shore Road | 2,000.00 | 2,474.75 | 0 | |
| No. 8 - Fire Dept. Capital Reserve | 15,000.00 | 15,000.00 | 0 | |
| No. 9 - Fire Dept. Refit Engine No.1 | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 | 0 | |
| No.10 - Waterhole - East Road | 1,000.00 | 0 | (1,000.00) | |
| No.11 - Trim and Replant Trees | 2,000.00 | 1,130.05 | (869.96) | |
| No.12 - Town History Book | 5,995.00 | 748.18 | (5,246.82) | |

| <u>Purpose of Appropriation</u> | <u>Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year</u> | <u>Recommended 1976</u> | <u>Submitted without Recom- mendation</u> |
|------------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------|---|
| No.13 - So. Rockingham Plan. Dist. | \$ 1,718.25 | \$ 1,718.25 | | |
| No.14 - Bicentennial Committee | 2,000.00 | 19.00 | (1,981.00) | |
| No.16 - Solid Waste Program | 7,600.00 | 7,600.00 | | |
| No.18 - Library Addition | 12,000.00 | 11,981.95 | | |
| 1976 Articles | | | | |
| No. 5 - Tax Map | | | \$10,000.00 | \$16,000.00 |
| No.11 - Deputy Sheriff | | | | |
| No.13 - Fire Dept. Capital Reserve | | | 15,000.00 | |
| No.14 - Fire Truck | | | 25,000.00 | |
| No.16 - Police Cruiser | | | 5,620.00 | |
| No.19 - Highway Department Truck | | | 15,000.00 | 4,400.00 |
| No.20 - Reconstruct Pheasant Lane | | | | 4,250.00 |
| No.21 - Library-Fire House Parking | | | | |
| No.22 - Ambulance Service | | | 5,000.00 | |
| No.23 - Addition to Town Hall | | | | 18,000.00 |
| No.24 - Paint Library | | | 3,450.00 | |
| Total Less Encumbered Funds | \$276,694.80 | \$251,525.31 | \$333,438.00 | |
| Encumbered Funds | (24,694.57) | (24,365.07) | (9,577.33) | |
| Total Appropriations | \$301,389.37 | \$275,890.38 | \$343,015.33 | \$42,650.00 |

() Denotes Encumbered Funds

Sources of Revenue

From State:

Interest & Dividends Tax
Savings Bank Tax
Meals & Rooms Tax
Highways Subsidy
Reimbursement, a/c Business Profits Tax
Town Road Aid

| | | |
|---|--|---|
| Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year | Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year | Estimated Revenue Fiscal Year 1976 |
|---|--|---|

| | | |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| \$12,000.00 | \$14,170.55 | \$15,000.00 |
| 1,100.00 | 1,292.87 | 1,300.00 |
| 17,000.00 | 19,117.41 | 20,000.00 |
| 12,165.76 | 12,157.47 | 12,535.58 |
| 3,500.00 | 3,724.96 | 291.00 |
| 3,700.00 | 3,229.47 | 3,713.88 |

From Local Sources:

Dog Licenses
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees
Interest on Taxes & Deposits
Withdrawal Capital Reserve Funds
Motor Vehicle Title Fee
Road Inspections
National Bank Stock Taxes
Resident Taxes Retained
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed
Rent of Town Property
Sale of Town Property
Income from Departments
Payment in Lieu of Taxes
Sale of Cemetery Lots

| | | |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1,500.00 | 1,268.75 | 1,000.00 |
| 1,500.00 | 4,280.70 | 4,000.00 |
| 47,000.00 | 48,973.19 | 50,000.00 |
| 12,000.00 | 17,043.00 | 17,000.00 |
| 0 | 0 | 25,000.00 |
| 1.00 | 0 | 0 |
| 600.00 | 0 | 600.00 |
| 17.00 | 0 | 0 |
| 16,000.00 | 16,580.00 | 16,000.00 |
| 100.00 | 64.80 | 100.00 |
| 200.00 | 170.00 | 200.00 |
| 3,000.00 | | 0 |
| 0 | 12,131.91 | 2,000.00 |
| 150.00 | 0 | 0 |
| 700.00 | 0 | 600.00 |

From Federal Sources:

Revenue Sharing
Matching Funds

| | | |
|-----------|-----------|----------|
| 18,000.00 | 18,846.00 | 7,842.00 |
| 989.30 | 989.30 | 0 |

TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT
PROPERTY TAXES

| | | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| \$151,223.06 | \$174,040.38 | \$179,182.46 |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|

AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES

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|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| \$122,892.45 | \$167,200.96 | \$154,255.54 |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|

TOTAL REVENUES

| | | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| \$274,115.51 | \$341,241.34 | \$333,438.00 |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|



Recreation Commission

Mrs. Barbara Snicer; Mrs. Elizabeth Tentarelli, Chairman; Norman Kimball, David Heffernan, Leonard Perreault



Conservation Commission

Chet Ladd, Winfield Comley, Mrs. Carol Grant, Chairman; Meredith Reynolds.

Missing: Alan Xenakis, Crysta Slade, Steven Lewis, John Widman



Library Trustees

Mrs. Eleanor Feuer; Mrs. Gladys Dyke, Chairman; Mrs. Dorothy Gordon



Representatives

Southern Rockingham Regional Planning District Commission
Kenneth Grant Ivan Grotenhuis

GENERAL EXPENSE

| | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$ 2,910.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| Truck Maintenance | \$ 240.20 | |
| Supplies | 473.17 | |
| Equipment | <u>2,312.24</u> | <u>\$ 3,025.61</u> |
| Overexpended | | \$ 115.61 |
| | | ===== |

STREET LIGHTS

| | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$ 6,640.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| Exeter and Hampton | \$ 6,279.21 | |
| Public Service Co. of N.H. | <u>94.30</u> | <u>\$ 6,373.51</u> |
| Balance | | \$ 266.49 |
| | | ===== |

LIBRARY

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$ 8,350.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| Kimball Public Library | \$ 8,137.18 | |
| File Cabinet | 184.40 | |
| Telephone | <u>28.42</u> | <u>\$ 8,350.00</u> |
| Balance | | 0 |
| | | ===== |

WELFARE

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$12,000.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| Oil | \$ 53.25 | |
| Rent | 330.00 | |
| APTO | 124.00 | |
| Food | 282.88 | |
| Electricity | 452.62 | |
| Medical | 12.90 | |
| Telephone | 57.82 | |
| Mortgages | 346.02 | |
| Schooling | <u>55.00</u> | <u>\$ 1,714.49</u> |
| Balance | | \$10,285.51 |
| | | ===== |

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

1975 Appropriation..... \$ 624.00

Summary of Expenditures:

Treasurer - State of New Hampshire \$ 198.00 198.00

Balance \$ 426.00
=====

MEMORIAL DAY

1975 Appropriation..... \$ 587.00

Summary of Expenditures:

Expenses and Supplies \$ 150.00
Flags 71.00
Wreaths 165.00 \$ 386.00

Balance \$ 201.00
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RECREATION

1975 Appropriation..... \$ 2,815.00

Summary of Expenditures:

Fencing \$ 743.00
Instructors 15.00
Gym Rental 380.00
Timberlane Jr. Baseball 300.00
Timberlane Jr. Football 450.00
Supplies, Summer Activities 135.24
Field Maintenance 287.28
Sports Supplies 890.24
Miscellaneous 6.35 \$ 3,207.11

Overexpended \$ 392.11
=====

GARDEN CLUB

1975 Appropriation..... \$ 300.00

Summary of Expenditures:

Signs \$ 75.00
Supplies 225.00 \$ 300.00

Balance 0
=====

ADVERTISING AND REGIONAL

1975 Appropriation..... \$ 100.00

Summary of Expenditures:

\$ 0 -

Balance \$ 100.00

ASSESSING

1975 Appropriation..... \$ 1,000.00

Summary of Expenditures:

State of New Hampshire \$ 1,334.44 \$ 1,334.44

Overexpended \$ 334.44
=====

CONSERVATION

1975 Appropriation..... \$ 375.00

Receipts 50.00

Summary of Expenditures:

Dues \$ 50.00
Postage, Telephone, etc. 174.94
Surveyor 50.00 \$ 274.94

Balance \$ 150.06

CEMETERIES

1975 Appropriation..... \$ 2,000.00

Summary of Expenditures:

Supplies and Repairs \$ 305.73
Tree Removal 50.00
Sexton 487.75
Equipment Rental 440.50
Labor 918.51 \$ 2,202.49

Overexpended \$ 202.49
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ARTICLE 6
(SELECTMEN'S OFFICE)

| | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$ 3,850.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| Contracted Services | \$ 2,180.42 | |
| Carpet | 448.00 | |
| Electrical | 45.10 | |
| Supplies and Equipment | <u>1,343.75</u> | <u>\$ 4,017.27</u> |
| Overdraft | | \$ 167.27 ===== |

ARTICLE 7
STICKNEY SHORE ROAD

| | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$ 2,000.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| Road Agent | \$ 14.00 | |
| Equipment Rental | 1,089.75 | |
| Gravel | <u>1,371.00</u> | <u>\$ 2,474.75</u> |
| Overdraft | | \$ 474.75 ===== |

ARTICLE 8
FIRE DEPARTMENT CAPITAL RESERVE

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$15,000.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| Trustees of Trust Funds | <u>\$15,000.00</u> | <u>\$15,000.00</u> |
| Balance | | 0 ===== |

ARTICLE 9
FIRE TRUCK - ENGINE NO. 1

| | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$ 4,000.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| Continental Fire Truck, Inc. | <u>\$ 4,000.00</u> | <u>\$ 4,000.00</u> |
| Balance | | 0 ===== |

ARTICLE 10
WATERHOLE

1975 Appropriation..... \$ 1,000.00

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|---------|----------|----------------------|
| | <u>0</u> | <u>\$ 0</u> |
| Balance | | \$ 1,000.00 ===== |

ARTICLE 11
TREES

1975 Appropriation..... \$ 2,000.00

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Road Agent | \$ 150.50 | |
| Equipment Rental | 786.00 | |
| Labor | <u>193.55</u> | <u>\$ 1,130.05</u> |
| Balance | | \$ 869.95 ===== |

ARTICLE 12
HISTORY BOOK

1975 Appropriation..... \$ 5,995.00

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| Supplies | \$ 18.10 | |
| Printer | 620.00 | |
| Postage | 66.58 | |
| Gift Certificates | <u>43.50</u> | <u>\$ 748.18</u> |
| Balance | | \$ 5,246.82 ===== |

ARTICLE 13
SOUTHERN ROCKINGHAM REGIONAL PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION

1975 Appropriation..... \$ 1,718.25

Summary of Expenditures:

| | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Southern Rockingham Reg. Plan.Com. | <u>\$ 1,718.25</u> | <u>\$ 1,718.25</u> |
| Balance | | 0 ===== |

ARTICLE 14
BICENTENNIAL

| | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$ 2,000.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| Flag | <u>\$ 19.00</u> | <u>\$ 19.00</u> |
| Balance | | \$ 1,981.00 ===== |

ARTICLE 16
SOLID WASTE

| | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$ 7,600.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| Signs | \$ 100.50 | |
| Supplies | 99.91 | |
| Material | 1,597.76 | |
| Gravel | 489.00 | |
| Road Agent | 45.50 | |
| Equipment Rental | 2,067.00 | |
| Fill Removal | 800.00 | |
| Labor | 818.30 | |
| Contracted Services | <u>1,582.03</u> | <u>\$ 7,600.00</u> |
| Balance | | 0 ===== |

ARTICLE 18
LIBRARY

| | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1975 Appropriation..... | | \$12,000.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| Plaistow Dry Well | \$ 932.00 | |
| Insulation | 720.00 | |
| Electrical Supplies | 1,447.55 | |
| Electrical Contractor | 1,075.00 | |
| Carpet | 1,500.00 | |
| Paint | 117.40 | |
| Rails | 530.00 | |
| General Contractor | 4,000.00 | |
| Sheet Metal | <u>1,660.00</u> | <u>\$11,981.95</u> |
| Balance | | \$ 18.05 ===== |

ARTICLE 8
TAX MAP

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1974 Appropriation..... | | \$ 7,000.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| James Sewall Company | <u>\$ 7,000.00</u> | <u>\$ 7,000.00</u> |
| Balance | | 0 ===== |

ARTICLE 13
CEMETERY

| | | |
|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| 1974 Appropriation..... | | \$ 543.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| Vernon Dingman | <u>\$ 213.50</u> | <u>\$ 213.50</u> |
| Balance | | \$ 329.50 ===== |

ARTICLE 26
SANITARY LANDFILL

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1974 Appropriation..... | | \$17,151.57 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| Contracted Services | <u>\$17,151.57</u> | <u>\$17,151.57</u> |
| Balance | | 0 ===== |

ARTICLE 12
STATE AUDITORS

| | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1973 Appropriation..... | | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Summary of Expenditures: | | |
| State of New Hampshire | <u>\$ 1,000.00</u> | <u>\$ 1,000.00</u> |
| Balance | | 0 ===== |

DISCOUNTS, ABATEMENTS

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Ruth Sawyer, tax error | \$ 46.40 |
| Christine Hughes, overassessment | 45.11 |
| Martin & Charlotte Dallon, overassessment | 138.54 |
| Jere Trash, overassessment | 76.80 |
| Gerald LaJoie, exemption | 160.00 |
| Samuel & William Little, overassessment | 369.06 |
| Robert & Eileen Terrio, overassessment | 49.18 |
| Larry & Charlene Underhill, overassessment | 89.60 |
| Barbara Schneider, unused registration | 5.35 |
| Daniel Healey & Thomas Padian, overassessmt. | 192.00 |
| John Paradis, lost registration | 8.10 |
| Herbert Howell, Jr., Veterans exemption | 50.00 |
| Warren Stickney, overassessment | 193.60 |
| John Hollenbeck, unused registration | 10.28 |
| Beverly Massi, unused registration | 5.70 |
| Merle Ashford, unused registration | 2.00 |
| Marvin Young, unused registration | 30.00 |
| Robert Kaulbach, unused registration | 2.00 |
| Harold Makin, unused registration | 2.55 |
| David & Carolyn Badger, Resident Tax | 20.00 |
| Imelda Albree, elderly exemption | 150.08 |
| Charles Framiglio, veterans exemption | 50.00 |
| George & Maralle Mullen, Resident Tax | 20.00 |
| James & Nancy Linnehan, Resident Tax | 20.00 |
| Edward & E.L. Comerford, overassessment | 150.07 |
| Rose & Emile Fredericks, Resident Tax | 20.00 |
| Alax Xenakis, unused registration | <u>17.07</u> |
| TOTAL | \$1,923.49 |

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1975

| | Principal | | | Income | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | <u>Balance Beg. of Year</u> | <u>New Funds Created</u> | <u>Balance End of Year</u> | <u>Balance Beg. of Year</u> | <u>Amount During Year</u> | <u>Balance End of Year</u> |
| Cemetery Funds (1) | \$11,149.22 | \$107.00 | \$11,256.22 | \$2,577.74 | \$820.69 | \$2,738.15 |
| Fire Dept. Capital Reserve (2) | \$15,000.00 | | \$15,000.00 | | | |
| (1) - Cemetery Funds - | Invested in accounts in Amoskeag and Manchester Banks - No new accounts in 1975. | | | | | |
| (2) - Capital Reserve - | Fire Department, received December 29, 1975. Invested in Special Notice Account with Plaistow Bank. | | | | | |

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Bette Ann Stewart
Eleanor Zarembo

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Though the number of calls received requiring one or more trucks to respond for 1975 decreased over 1974, our house fires increased 100 percent. The following breakdown of calls answered by the department for the last four years, including 1975, will show that as the town grows, the burden on the service and protection departments also increases:

| | <u>1972</u> | <u>1973</u> | <u>1974</u> | <u>1975</u> |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| House fires (involving structural damage) | 4 | 3 | 5 | 10 |
| Chimney Fires | - | - | 5 | 5 |
| Miscellaneous Fires (electrical, etc) | 3 | 6 | 5 | 2 |
| Resuscitator, Rescue (First Aid) | 4 | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Grass & Brush Fires | 2 | 19 | 18 | 13 |
| Dump Fires | 12 | 13 | 3 | 8 |
| Car Fires | 4 | 5 | 8 | 6 |
| Miscellaneous Calls (Flush Gasoline, etc.) | 17 | 11 | 17 | 3 |
| False Alarms | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Calls to investigate for possible fires | 9 | 35 | 27 | 22 |
| Power Failures (Standby at Fire Station) | 4 | 6 | 2 | 0 |
| Mutual Aid | 5 | 4 | 9 | 4 |
| (1975 - Plaistow 2; Hampstead 2) | | | | |
| Mutual Aid requested by Atkinson | - | 4 | 2 | 5 |
| (1975 - Plaistow 3; Hampstead 2) | — | — | — | — |
| Total Number of Calls Handled by Red Network | 86 | 344 | 662 | 659 |
| Calls Requiring one or more trucks to respond | 52 | 63 | 73 | 61 |

Estimated Fire Loss for 1975 - \$30,000

Total Man Hours for 1975 - 4,131

At two house fires we had to request help from both Plaistow and Hampstead Fire Departments.

You will note this year a new entry has been added to the above-"Total Man Hours." The following is a breakdown of the total hours:

| | |
|---|-------|
| Fires (including placing all equipment back in service) | 963 |
| Fire Protection and Education | 234 |
| Fire Department Administration | 185 |
| Training | 1,528 |

| | |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Emergency Calls other than fires | 47 |
| Preventive Maintenance | 587 |
| Additional Work Details | 438 |
| Miscellaneous (Goodwill, etc.) | <u>149</u> |

| | |
|-------------|-------|
| TOTAL HOURS | 4,131 |
|-------------|-------|

It should be noted that one of the most valuable services is not included in this figure - "Red Network and Radio Operators".

Of the ten house fires this year, six of them started in the kitchen. Five of these fires were started as a direct result of frying in oil or fats so please, use great care in the kitchen.

This year again we had five chimney fires. With fireplaces and wood burning stoves being used more than ever - please use great caution - and may I suggest that you or a qualified "Chimney Sweep" clean and inspect your flue pipes?

The Department started the "Tot Finder" Program this year. The program, consisting of a sticker to be placed on windows where children sleep, thus, in turn, giving the firemen a location should rescue be required. If you need Tot Finder stickers, please contact any of the firemen or stop by the firehouse any Sunday morning between 8 and 10 a.m.

If there should be anyone ill at your residence who depends upon electrically operated medical equipment, the department should be notified so that emergency action can be taken should there be a power failure.

Our biggest need is to strengthen the day time department. Any men available during the day interested in joining would be welcome.

I wish to thank the men and women of the department and the townspeople for their continued support of their volunteer fire department.

In closing, the men and women of the department have put in many hours of dedicated service, and I would like to say that I am proud to be Chief of this Department.

Please - "Learn Not To Burn."

Donald L. Murphy
FIRE CHIEF

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

The following is my third annual report to the residents of the Town of Atkinson.

This is my ninth full year as a member of the Police Department of which two were as Deputy and the last three as Chief. Since 1967 as a part-time officer, I have been available every hour not needed for my regular job. Every hour, my home has been available to all residents by Police telephone and since 1969 all officers have been covered by radio.

1975 shows the continued growth in our community. New homes, new streets and increased population. Our total valuation of property is over thirty million dollars. This means to us more accidents, an increase in our house breaks and a necessity for more police protection for all.

The drastic change in the economy has produced a thirty per cent increase in the crime rate throughout the state, also showing its effects in our town and the surrounding communities. Of Atkinson's increased problems, we have successfully solved ninety five percent of them.

My thanks to all residents who, through their continued cooperation in letting us know when they are leaving for vacations and when they see vehicles or persons that appear suspicious in their area. This helps us in providing better protection for all. Our main purpose is to protect and to be of help to you whenever we can, whatever the time of day or night.

We had seventy five accidents, seventeen were minor, reported by phone and recorded. Officers responded to fifty-three of these accidents, many requiring further assistance and investigation. Two resulted in the deaths of two seventeen year old youths.

Officers responded to thirty-five fire calls. Sixteen house breaks were investigated, thirteen outside thefts of gasoline from vehicles and three stolen vehicles. Attempts were made to steal seven other vehicles. Total breaks, including attempts, was sixty-seven. Complaints requiring one or more officers immediately totalled seven hundred and eighteen.

Twenty nine criminal arrests were made, five for arson. Eleven criminal complaints and warrants were made out for private individuals.

One hundred and thirty-two Motor Vehicle violations were

recorded, including court summons, warnings and defective equipment tags.

I wish to express my appreciation and thanks to the competent and loyal assistant clerk dispatchers in the office and to all my officers who willingly and conscientiously give their time and efforts to making this an efficient department. Unfortunately I do not have the additional time that is needed to provide them with the increased training in law enforcement and exposure to the changing laws of the State of New Hampshire. I also regret not having investigative time to be where I should be when and where our problems indicate.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M. Conley
CHIEF OF POLICE

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 1975

1975 proved to be a trying year for the Highway Department. It started with freezing rain storms causing road damage and flooding in January and February. The high winds of late winter took down trees and power lines in various parts of town. Spring brought a massive patching job to be done to the roads.

Tree projects for the year included some 18 dead trees removed with more to come. Hottopping projects in town included the full length of Sleepy Hollow Road, a section of Sunset Drive and a section of Pheasant Lane.

The installation of the island at Stage Road and Main Street proved as improvement to the traffic pattern.

1975 ended with gusto. We had multiple snow storms keeping the Highway Department constantly on the go.

May we all have a peaceful '76!

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Stewart
ROAD AGENT

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND DISTRICT CHIEF

Upon the recommendation of town selectmen and city councils, the Division of Forests and Lands appoints a forest fire warden and several deputy forest fire wardens in each town and city every three years. The town or city warden is responsible for maintaining a force of men and adequate equipment to suppress any wildfire that occurs in his town or city during his term of appointment. The fire warden must authorize all open burning when the ground is not covered with snow. No open fires can be authorized between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., unless it is raining, without the additional permission of the state district fire chief.

Any person wishing to kindle an open fire when the ground is not covered with snow must first obtain the written permission of the forest fire warden. Camp and cooking fires also require the warden's permission.

The Division of Forests and Lands, through its Forest Fire Service, assists all cities and towns in meeting these requirements by training the warden and deputy forces in wildfire suppression tactics, making hand tool suppression equipment available at fifty percent of cost, supplying pieces of Federal excess property for use as fire attack vehicles and sharing up to fifty percent of the cost of wildfire suppression costs.

Wildfire prevention is also a joint state, city or town program. Smokey Bear is available from the Forest Fire Service for local fire prevention programs. Posters and Junior Ranger kits are available for distribution by local fire departments upon request to the Forest Fire Service. Each forest fire warden is expected to carry on a continuous wildfire prevention program within his town or city.

1975 Forest Fire Statistics

| | <u>No. of Fires</u> | <u>No. of Acres</u> |
|----------|---------------------|---------------------|
| State | 800 | 718 |
| District | 355 | 188 |
| Town | 12 | 1.2 |

Ralph Stevens
DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF

Daniel W. Stewart
FOREST FIRE WARDEN

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board meets regularly on the second and fourth Thursdays of every month. Our second Thursday meeting is a "work" night and the fourth Thursday is our night to receive the public for preliminary plans, final plans, public hearings, information sessions, etc.

Anyone planning to subdivide your land, please allow plenty of time for final approval. With percolation tests, public hearings on the land, road bonding (when necessary) preliminary and final approval on plans, it takes quite a long time to complete a subdivision.

We have received a lot of help from the Southern Rockingham Regional Planning District Commission this year. We've had meetings with Jon Gilmore, the director, along with Mr. Birtles, the soil scientist, in reference to setting up a land use plan and also to get an idea of how the program works. We've also met with Mr. Whaler a couple of times in reference to septic systems and water problem areas, bad wells, etc. One or both of our Commissioners attend our meetings and this is very helpful to us keeping up with new developments as they happen.

We're presently studying a cluster zone plan to see if it would be beneficial to our town. You will hear more of this after we've gathered more information and can set up some recommendations.

We have no major amendments to our zoning code this year. We are updating the present book and making changes to help clarify some of the wording.

We appreciate the cooperation of the Building Inspector, Town Engineer, and all the Boards of the town. I think our get-togethers once in a while are great for everyone concerned.

Respectfully submitted,

Maurice Collins, Chairman
PLANNING BOARD

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

There were 121 permits issued in 1975. The breakdown is as follows:

| <u>Permits Issued</u> | <u>Builders Est. Cost</u> |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 Apartment Building | \$ 50,000.00 |
| 67 New Homes | 2,105,000.00 |
| 27 Additions/Alterations | 62,700.00 |
| 5 Garages | 5,500.00 |
| 2 Barns | 1,500.00 |
| <u>19 Pools</u> | <u>41,375.00</u> |
| 121 TOTAL PERMITS | TOTAL VALUE \$ 2,266,075.00 |

COMPARISON OF PREVIOUS YEARS

| <u>Year</u> | <u>No. of Permits</u> | <u>Estimated Cost</u> |
|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1974 | 95 | \$1,376,480.00 |
| 1973 | 124 | 1,826,570.00 |
| 1972 | 110 | 1,899,555.00 |
| 1971 | 67 | 1,165,325.00 |
| 1970 | 49 | 759,550.00 |

Respectfully submitted,

Jesse R. Boyden
Building Inspector

REPORT OF KIMBALL PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Trustees of the Kimball Public Library are pleased to bring the residents up to date on the activities of the library.

1975 was a very interesting and rewarding year. In this the first year of operation in the new library, circulation has increased by 4,136 volumes over last year. Mrs. Reynolds, librarian, reports that many new families are making use of the library. Mrs. Reynolds has done an excellent job keeping readers supplied with the latest in new reading and updating the reference material.

We would like to thank those of you who have helped supplement the library budget by donating new books and magazine subscriptions.

A copying machine is available to the public for a small fee.

The state bookmobile visits the library every ten weeks. Groups of children from various kindergartens and schools in the area have visited the library. In April of 1975 we were hosts to the Southeast District Advisory Council annual meeting. The 75 members attended were all very impressed with our new library. Many students are making use of the enlarged library to do their studying.

Mrs. Barbara Richard, local artist, has had her paintings on display in the library for the month of January. Local artists or hobbyists are invited to display their paintings or collections.

The Mother Goose Story House sponsored by the Friends of the Library has been so successful that sessions have had to be increased.

Several town organizations are making use of the meeting room in the lower level on a regular basis. Hopefully funds will be available to complete the lower level and the entrance so that more use can be made of the facilities. There are still many families in Atkinson who have not contributed in any way to the Library. Donations in any amount are still urgently needed. According to state law a ramp for the handicapped must be installed in the near future. More

shelving is also needed as some volumes have had to be returned to the old library room.

A special vote of thanks must be given to the Atkinson Garden Club for the lovely landscaping around the new building. Also thanks to the Youth Corps members who, under the direction of Daniel Stewart, graded and seeded the front lawn and built the retaining walls.

At this time the trustees and the library staff would like to extend to Mrs. Gladys Dyke, retiring trustee, their heartfelt thanks and appreciation for her years of dedicated service to the library cause. Mrs. Dyke has been a true friend of the library for many years. We are sure that her interest in the library will continue.

The trustees, in closing, would like to say that they welcome any suggestions which would help to improve the library and its services.

Respectfully submitted,

Gladys R. Dyke, Chairman
Eleanor C. Feuer, Secretary
Dorothy Gordon, Treasurer
Beatrice Reynolds, Librarian

REPORT OF THE ATKINSON RECREATION COMMISSION

The goals of the Recreation Commission are twofold: to provide recreational activities that encourage the broadest possible participation, and to develop and maintain town recreation areas. Only the townspeople can determine whether the commission has achieved these goals. We, the members, admit to disappointment on both counts.

We are pleased that each year the activities we offer increase as well as the number of youngsters participating. In 1975 we had record numbers of youngsters coming out for baseball and football, and the basketball, softball, tennis, and crafts programs were also popular. The two programs we ran in conjunction with the Greater Haverhill YWCA, primarily for pre-schoolers, were well attended and filled a gap we had long recognized. But the only activity we had in which adults could participate was the archery program, held for the first time this past July. With over twenty participants, youths and adults, we felt it was very successful for its first appearance.

But we would like to see more programs for adults, for teenagers, and for our elderly residents. Unfortunately, we lack the active support of the townspeople in getting these programs organized and coached. We are only five people, each with just so many people we know who can coach or supervise. There must be dozens of people in Atkinson, unknown to us on the Commission, who have an interest in recreation and a talent much needed if our goal of widespread participation in a broad range of activities is to be met. But how are we to find these people? They must find us.

In less than ten years since this Commission was formed, the town has gained two recreation areas: the ballfield behind the Academy and the Pope Road Recreation Area. We have been much criticized for the second project, both for its location and the length of time it has taken to complete the intended ballfield there. It is with great pleasure that we announce the completion of that field; it will be used this spring for minor league baseball, possibly for girls' softball, and for anyone who wants to gather some friends for an informal game. The necessary backstop, the money for which was raised by the minor league coaches and managers, will be erected before spring practice begins. A chain-link fence, half paid for by those same men and half federally funded, was erected last fall and will, hopefully, discourage motorcyclists and horseback riders from using the field in a destructive manner. In a final attempt to dispel the criticism, we have heard too many times, we remind you that the nine acres of land (much of which is still beautifully wooded and a

lovely picnic spot, complete with two picnic tables), the ball-field, parking area, and construction of the half-mile access road that is also used to get to the present refuse transfer station, cost the town less than \$3,700. Federal funds, some of which we are still awaiting but have no doubt will come through soon, add almost another \$3,500 to the total amount spent on this project. Years ago, when the original proposals for Pope Road were made, the Commission made the mistake of trying to bring in the lowest cost possibly by relying on volunteer labor to a large degree. Now we know how hard it is to get people together, at the right time and place with all the necessary materials (preferably donated) to build a ballfield, and never again will we work in this manner. Finally, we present you with the Pope Road Recreation Area. Its use is up to you.

To those people who contributed so much during the year to the town's recreation program, we extend a public thank you: to the coaches, instructors, field day supervisors, picnic table builder, participating youngsters, and interested parents -- our sincere appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Tentarelli
RECREATION COMMISSION

REPORT OF ATKINSON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

This, our first full year, has been a very busy time for the Conservation Commission. We have been working hard to preserve natural areas for your appreciation and enjoyment.

I. To introduce the Commission to the town, a spring Arbor Day project was sponsored. We distributed 1,375 trees to town residents. We plan a similar tree-planting project again this spring.

II. After securing the opinion of the Soil Conservation Service, the Commission began a lake restoration project. The old lake, near the center of town, was drained after the beaver dam fell into disrepair. We began by securing written approval of all abutters to the lake area. Then Jim Hayden of SCS and his crew of soil scientists, engineers and geologists began on-site work which included soil surveys, initial dam positioning, preliminary dam design, more drilling of test bores, and re-positioning the dam site. The work still goes on since every detail must be checked and re-checked. The Commission owes its thanks to Surveyor Ed Herbert, who has donated his services in coordinating the spillway elevation of the dam with GS bench marks so as to define the water limits. His crew, like Jim Hayden's, have spent many hours in the cold snow. Danny Stewart has also donated his time and back-hoe for on-site soil testing. Steve Lewis, for Lewis Builders, has generously donated an accessway to the dam area. The 368th Army Reserve Construction Engineer Battalion has been contacted for the dam construction work scheduled for late fall, 1976. Jim Hayden estimates that the lake will need at least two years before it will be ready for stocking.

III. With the discovery of an old rock shelter on a 5.9 acre parcel near some Conservation land, the Commission immediately began working towards acquisition of the Noyes property. Grant applications for financial aid were made to several New Hampshire foundations. Persistence and personal visits to foundation officers paid off with a \$500 pledge from the New Hampshire Charitable Fund if the Commission came up with the remaining \$1,500 of the Town's share.

The Atkinson Historical Society agreed to co-sponsor the Rock Shelter Project, also generously giving the first donations. Brochures and personal appeals were supported by constant newspaper coverage (thank you, Jane Cole and Lois Marchand). Thanks to the generosity of you, our fellow Atkinsonians, the fund drive was a success and a little piece of "old Atkinson" will be preserved for the future.

Because of frustrating delays for the required BOR federal

appraisal and federal processing of our matching funds, we missed the fall planting season and were unable to start wildflower propagation on the Noyes land. That will have to wait for next fall.

IV. The Commission has received its first land donation! Philo Hutcheson and Crown Hill Trust have generously donated land abutting the Noyes parcel. Surveying costs were graciously covered by Tom Merrick. Atty. John Tateosian has also been invaluable to the Commission in donating his time concerning legal matters.

V. Atkinson is a small town with a large legacy of trees, clean water, birds and open-space, with room to breathe and enjoy. To encourage landowners to leave their land in its natural state rather than develop it, the Commission publicized and made available information on tax benefits from Current Use Assessment. It was a pleasure to see the number of landowners electing Current Use and leaving their land natural.

Also, towards this end of maintaining green open-space, letters requesting land donations and outlining tax benefits for land donations to Conservation Commissions were sent to the 110 landowners in Atkinson who owned over 10 acres.

VI. Chet and Carol represented the Commission at the N.H. Association of Conservation Commissions' annual workshop to learn town forest management and how to draw up conservation deeds and trusts. Chet, as commission forester (and also, our very hard-working unofficial surveyor) has taken charge of initiating correct forest management practices and techniques on all town Conservation land.

VII. During 1975, the Commission received a total of four Environmental Pollution Complaints from environmentally concerned people. In two cases, the Commission secured State Cease and Desist Orders against the violators. The last two complaints, involving stream pollution, have been referred to the Health Officer and the Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission for dye tests. Unfortunately, the snow and freezing temperatures have made stream tests impossible until we get a thaw.

The Commission also received and acted upon four Dredge and Fill applications.

VIII. The Commission is anticipating additional federal funds in 1976 for the enlarging and tying together of existing Conservation areas. We need environmentally concerned people who have the time and energy to work with us. The Commission has several on-going projects for 1976 and asks your cooperation and support so that we may better serve you.

Carol Grant, Chairman
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

REPORT OF THE ATKINSON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Over two years ago, the Historical Society first gave consideration to the printing of the history of Atkinson as a bicentennial project. Many other towns were planning to up-date or revise earlier histories; Atkinson had no history to revise, in spite of its 209 year past.

Thanks to the support of voters at the 1975 Town Meeting, funds were appropriated to allow publication of the history. A book committee devoted the next several months to organizing material already in possession of the Society, and researching new information.

"Atkinson - Then And Now" is now in the hands of the printer, with a promised publication date of June 30, 1976. Pre-publication sales have been most rewarding, with receipts exceeding \$2,000. Verbal commitments indicate that the limited edition will be a sellout.

The Society would like to express its appreciation to the town for allowing us to prepare this book. We feel it has been a most worthwhile and rewarding project, and we hope you will, too.

Eleanor Zaremba,

PRESIDENT

ATKINSON BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

The Atkinson Bicentennial Committee was formed in June 1975. Col. Lewis R. Adams, U. S. Army, Retired, was named chairman of the committee on June 12, 1975. The Sum of \$2,000 was raised at the 1975 Town Meeting to provide for expenses which might be incurred, with other monies expected to be raised by bicentennial activities.

As committee planning got under way, several other activities in town joined the committee as members in order to take responsibility for upcoming events. A bicentennial theme contest was held, as well as a Flea Market. A cookbook was developed and published. Plans were developed to construct a playground for children, and Atkinson received federal matching funds of \$950 to finance the activity.

Plans were made to hold a ceremony to celebrate the designation of Atkinson as a Bicentennial Community on February 15. Site of the celebration was Atkinson Academy, the town's oldest public building.

Further plans have been made to hold an "Old Home Day" type activity during the latter part of August. The Atkinson Fire Department volunteered to accept responsibility for a large share of this celebration, which will include a Fire Department parade, a Fireman's Muster and a clam bake. In addition, there will be a field day for youngsters and both adult and teen dances.

The Atkinson Garden Club will sponsor a Flower Show and other organizations will sponsor an Arts and Crafts exhibit, a tableaux and a children's parade. The June "Strawberry Festival", sponsored by the Friends of the Library, will have a bicentennial theme. On July 4, the Historical Society will decorate the graves of some of the 104 Atkinson men who took part in the Revolutionary War.

Col. Lewis R. Adams

CHAIRMAN

REPORT OF
SOUTHERN ROCKINGHAM REGIONAL PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION

The Commission meets monthly on the third Wednesday in one of the member towns on a rotational basis. Atkinson commission representation is usually in attendance at Planning Board meetings.

Of primary interest is the drafting of a master plan for Atkinson. We are fortunate in that a portion of the technical material required is being developed by the commission staff under a federal water quality management planning program grant. Preliminary presentations of our initial recommendations for establishing a planning program have been made to the Planning Board.

In 1975 the commission has provided planning assistance to the Selectmen, Planning Board, Conservation Commission and Health Officer. The following is a listing of several programs performed for Atkinson:

1. Soil scientist investigations of one-site soil conditions for the Conservation Commission in connection with the Rock-Shelter project and for the Planning Board in connection with proposed cluster zoning development.
2. Preliminary work on a ground-water feasibility study which will be presented to the Planning Board in February, 1976.
3. Environmental Engineer investigation of community wastewater disposal system for proposed cluster zoning.
4. Completion of slope-mapping for land capability analysis.
5. Assistance in drafting an ordinance for regulation of sanitary systems around lakes and ponds.

Under regional and federal planning programs the commission has done planning work on problems of interest to Atkinson, such as land use, solid waste management, septic disposal, emergency medical service, transportation and water supply.

The commission staff now consists of thirteen professional and clerical employees who, with your representatives, actively seek community and individual participation and interest in the programs.

Respectfully submitted,

Ivan Grotenhuis
Kenneth R. Grant

REPORT OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

This past year has been one of continuing improvement in gathering of information necessary to improve our budget accuracy. We have also gained knowledge of specific procedures from the State Auditors' review of the town accounts and a meeting with your Selectmen and the State Division of Revenue Administration.

As this report is written, the budget is not completed. However, the department budgets submitted to us are about 25 percent (\$59,000) above the budget you approved last year. About 54 percent of this increase is due to the higher cost of disposing of our waste material, most of which was paid from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds in 1975. Another 10 percent of the increase is for anticipated costs of providing ambulance service. Town Officers' Expenses (6.8%), Summer Road Maintenance (6.8%) and Library (7.3%) are the three remaining largest increases.

As in the past, we thank the Selectmen, Department Heads and citizens of Atkinson for their cooperation and request you to let us know what you want to spend more of your money on and what you want to spend less of your money on.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas B. Merrick, Chairman
BUDGET COMMITTEE

BIRTHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF ATKINSON
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1975

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>NAME OF CHILD</u> | <u>MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER</u> | <u>NAME OF FATHER</u> |
|-------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <u>1974</u> | | | |
| Dec. 8 | Krista Jean West | Gloria J. Anderson | Jack R. West |
| Dec. 10 | Gregory William Pyne | Bette A. Yeo | Richard W. Pyne |
| Dec. 25 | Heather Lynn Hotchkiss | Linda J. MacDonald | Robert A. Hotchkiss |
| <u>1975</u> | | | |
| Jan. 9 | Kathleen Ann Hill | Judith A. Barry | Kevin R. Hill |
| Feb. 12 | Stefanie Ann Houle | Judy Ann Proulx | Joseph E. Houle |
| " 26 | Kimberly Anne Cronkhite | Pauline M. Michaud | Raymond E. Cronkhite |
| Mar. 20 | Robert Jacob Sexton | Linda E. Pshea | Ronald R. Sexton |
| Apr. 16 | Aaron Mathew Pigeon | Kathy A. Tevanian | James E. Pigeon |
| " 17 | Tyler Shane Sylvester | Cheryl A. Coney | Joseph A. Sylvester |
| " 23 | Stephanie Lyn Cadorette | Maureen M. Daly | Maurice T. Cadorette |
| " 29 | Timothy Michael Roberts | Donna M. Rice | Donald M. Roberts |
| May 8 | Danielle Marie DiLeo | Viola N. Rosati | Francis D. DiLeo |
| " 20 | Melissa Anne DeSantis | Sharon A. Guilmette | Russell J. DeSantis |
| " 20 | Gina Marie Surrette | Rita M. Caradonna | Dennis E. Surrette |
| Jun. 12 | Jennifer Rebecca Merrill | Kathleen M. Fontaine | Glenn A. Merrill |
| " 20 | Michael Francis Barrientos | Sandra L. Hubbard | Albert F. Barrientos |
| " 30 | Erin Elizabeth Ahern | Deborah A. Armstrong | Daniel J. Ahern |
| Jul. 7 | Beth Susanne Rockwell | Diane M. Watts | John F. Rockwell |
| " 21 | Christopher Charles George | Barbara G. Rice | Charles George |
| " 23 | Steven James Meade | Janice Buckley | Paul J. Meade |
| " 30 | Nancy Jennifer Hulbert | Kathleen J. Day | Alan W. Hulbert |
| Sept. 7 | Sean Kenneth Plourde | Patricia A. Gasper | Kenneth J. Plourde |
| " 10 | Kelly Erickson | Joan Skasko | William E. Erickson |
| " 29 | Gina Domenica Ray | Mary Jo Kunis | Richard J. Ray |
| " 29 | Russell Allan Yoho Jr. | Barbara A. Brown | Russell A. Yoho |
| Oct. 6 | Nicole Lynn Palmer | Linda G. Mayo | Fred E. Palmer |
| " 28 | Danielle Marie Eifler | Mary Ann DelPercio | Thomas A. Eifler |

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF ATKINSON
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1975

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>NAME OF GROOM AND BRIDE</u> | <u>RESIDENCE</u> | <u>BY WHOM MARRIED</u> |
|-------------|--|--------------------------------|--|
| Jan. 4 | James Leslie Riley Judith Anne Hubbard | Atkinson, NH Atkinson, NH | Rev. Peter W. Lovejoy Clergyman |
| Feb. 23 | Joseph Donald Dempsey II Jean Marie Gile | Atkinson, NH Atkinson, NH | Michael J.J. Griffin R.C. Priest |
| Mar. 10 | Vance Marlon Evans Susan Davis Walker | Atkinson, NH Plaistow, NH | Rev. Peter W. Lovejoy Clergyman |
| Mar. 16 | Douglas Bruce Rouleau Sandra Jean Beardsley | Atkinson, NH Atkinson, NH | Steven Lewis Justice |
| Mar. 29 | Paul Arthur Welch Joan Marie Pickard | Kingston, NH Atkinson, NH | Bettie C. Ouellette Justice |
| Apr. 17 | George E. Darling Agnes M. Plourde | Atkinson, NH Atkinson, NH | Clara B. Shaw Justice |
| Apr. 26 | Donald Joseph Cote Diana M. David | Plaistow, NH Atkinson, NH | Rev. Richard L. Provencher R. C. Priest |
| Apr. 26 | Mark Stephen Rouleau Denise Marie Lagasse | Atkinson, NH Plaistow, NH | Rev. Richard L. Provencher R. C. Priest |
| May 3 | Peter Thomas Wilczynski Cheryl Lee Hutchins | Atkinson, NH Plymouth, NH | Philip Tapply Justice |
| May 18 | Dennis J. Edmondson Sandra Lussier | Haverhill, MA Atkinson, NH | Rev. Richard L. Provencher R. C. Priest |
| Jun. 14 | Paul David Hanson Patricia Ann Piper | Manchester, NH Atkinson, NH | Rev. Peter W. Lovejoy Clergyman |
| Jun. 23 | Stuart Douglas Pingree Linda S. Pingree | Atkinson, NH Haverhill, MA | Steven Lewis Justice |

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| <u>DATE</u> | <u>NAME OF GROOM AND BRIDE</u> | <u>RESIDENCE</u> | <u>BY WHOM MARRIED</u> |
|-------------|---|---------------------------------|--|
| Jun. 27 | Christopher Girvin Sprague Marilyn Marie Barnard | Atkinson, NH Plaistow, NH | Rev. Henry K. Mook Ordained Minister |
| Jul. 5 | Daniel Dennis Dube Sheila Jean Goddard | Methuen, MA Atkinson, NH | Michael J. Griffin R.C. Priest |
| Aug. 1 | Terry Lee Myers Pamela Janis Neily | Groveland, MA Groveland, MA | Robert E. Dwyer, Sr. Justice |
| Aug. 23 | Michael Ryan Fallon Carol Ann Hughes | Quincy, MA Atkinson, NH | Rev. Henry Sawatzky Pastor UCC |
| Sept. 27 | Frederick William Miller IV Kelsa Lee Ingraham | Sandown, NH Atkinson, NH | Rev. Wilfred E. Houle R. C. Deacon |
| Sept. 27 | Richard A. Hawley Melinda James | Essex Jct., VT Atkinson, NH | Richard B. Crocker |
| Oct. 11 | Daniel Sarkis Gulezian Jr. Liza Marie Ryan | Merrimac, MA Atkinson, NH | Bryan H. Reed Methodist Minister |
| Oct. 11 | Michael Edward Murphy Pamela Claire Dodier | Atkinson, NH Haverhill, MA | Rev. Richard L. Provencher R. C. Priest |
| Oct. 18 | Malcolm Bruce Morrison Mary Beth Stevens | Atkinson, NH Plaistow, NH | Rev. Peter W. Lovejoy Clergyman |
| Oct. 18 | Stephen John Guilmette Mary Rose Reed | No. Hampton, MA Atkinson, NH | Rev. Richard L. Provencher R. C. Priest |
| Nov. 24 | James Eric Morrow Deborah Lou Ross | Atkinson, NH Derry, NH | Evelyn Taiatsios Justice |
| Dec. 28 | Charles R. Bushong III Anne Lucile deBesche | Golden, WASH Atkinson, NH | Daniel H. Andernacht Justice of the Peace |

DEATHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF ATKINSON
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1975

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>NAME OF DECEASED</u> | <u>AGE</u> | <u>NAME OF PARENTS</u> |
|-------------|-----------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| Jan. 22 | Richard A. Bailey | 50 | Frank Bailey |
| " 18 | Norma M. (Holland) Campbell | 58 | John Holland |
| " 19 | William B. Nelson Jr. | 71 | William B. Nelson |
| Feb. 7 | Horace H. James | 81 | William M. James |
| Apr. 29 | Lillian Morse | 56 | Burial |
| May 4 | James Edwin Morrow Jr. | 65 | James E. Morrow |
| " 18 | Hazel V. (Knight) Belanger | 55 | Arthur Knight |
| Aug. 22 | Mary H. Tobias | 70 | Burial |
| " 31 | Verta C. Clocher | 83 | Burial |
| Nov. 16 | James H. Skillings | 94 | Henry C. Skillings |
| " 19 | Donald L. Houle | 38 | Leo Houle |
| | | | Ava M. Johnson |
| | | | E. Louisa Brown |
| | | | Lucy Barrett |
| | | | Lottie F. Hardy |
| | | | Vera Criddle |
| | | | Ethel Hubley |
| | | | E. Henderson |
| | | | Blanche Nolet |

If you are a registered voter and would like to serve as a member of the following boards or commissions, please fill out the form below, checking your area of interest and submit to the Selectmen's Office.

PLANNING BOARD _____

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT _____

RECREATION COMMISSION _____

CONSERVATION COMMISSION _____

OTHER (Specify) _____

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

TOWN OF ATKINSON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

1. Our population is approximately 3,083; total area is 11.2 square miles.
2. We are a Town Government, headed by three Selectmen who meet each Monday evening at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall.
3. We have a Volunteer Fire Department consisting of regular and day call members. We have a call Police Department and both departments are available 24 hours a day.
4. Shopping centers are less than 1/2 mile away. There is no public transportation in Atkinson except for the elderly.
5. We are part of the Timberlane Regional School District which is comprised of the towns of Plaistow, Atkinson, Danville and Sandown. The Rockwell School and Atkinson Academy house students in grades 1 through 5; students in grades 6, 7 and 8 attend the Timberlane Regional Junior High School, and grades 9 through 12 are housed in Timberlane Regional Senior High School - both of those schools are located in Plaistow.
6. Our tax rate this year is \$3.45 per hundred. The town was re-values in 1972-73 by the New Hampshire Board of Revenue Administration. We are presently valued at 87 percent.
7. There is no town water or sewerage but some developers have their own water systems. Our town is presently zoned residential and requires one acre lots. We are not zoned for apartments or trailers.
8. The Congregational Church is located in the center of town and Holy Angels Catholic Church is located on Route 121 just over the Plaistow line. Other denominational churches may be found not over a mile away in other communities.
9. Atkinson has the following organizations which meet regularly; Garden Club; Grade 132; Friends of the Kimball Library; Men's Club; Day Home Extension Group and the Evening Home Extension Group; Women's Civic Club. There is also the XYZ Club for the elderly and all phases of Scouting. Also Minor League and Little League baseball teams, girl's softball, basketball and Junior Football League teams.
10. Town Boards meet as follows: Selectmen - Every Monday at 7 p.m.; Conservation Commission - second Tuesday; Recreation Commission - second Wednesday; Budget Committee - third Wednesday; Planning Board - second and fourth Thursdays. All boards and committees meet in the Town Hall.

Town of Atkinson, N.H.

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